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WILSON CALLS UPON CONGRESS FOR SHOW DOWN ON RESOLUTION FOR WARNING AMERICAN CITIZENS

Administration Now Ready to Give Germany a Demonstration of Unity.

WANTS VOTE AT ONCE

Cannot Proceed With Submarine Negotiations With Dissension in Congress.

Weakens His Position Before the World.

Washington, Feb. 29. — President Wilson decided today that he cannot proceed with the German submarine negotiations while dissension in Congress weakens his position before the world, so he called for a show-down on the pending proposals to warn Americans off merchant ships of the European belligerents armed for defense.

Making clear that he considers the President, and not Congress, charged with the conduct of foreign relations of the United States, he wrote a letter to Representative Pou, acting chairman of the House Rules committee, asking him to provide parliamentary means for bringing the agitation out into the open on the floor of the House for full discussion and a vote.

Conference This Morning.

Later he summoned Senator Stone and Representative Flood, chairmen of the foreign affairs committees, and Senator Kern, majority leader in the Senate, for a conference at the White House tomorrow morning at which he will request that one of the various pending resolutions be acted upon in both houses.

Administration leaders, working steadily for the last week strengthening their lines and counting on the support of the Republicans, now are so sure of their position that they plan to end all agitation with a vote of confidence in the President.

The President's letter to Mr. Pou, the signal that the administration was ready to give Germany a demonstration of unity, follows:

The President's Letter.

"My Dear Mr. Pou:

"Inasmuch as I learn that Mr. Henry, the chairman of the Committee on Rules, is absent in Texas, I take the liberty of calling your attention, as ranking member of the committee, to a matter of grave concern to the country which can, I believe, be handled, under the rules of the House, only by that committee.

"The report that there are divided counsels in Congress in regard to the foreign policy of the government is being made industrious use of in foreign capitals. I believe that report to be false, but so long as it is anywhere credited, it cannot fail to do the greatest harm and expose the country to the most serious risks. I therefore feel justified in asking that your committee will meet to urge an early vote upon the resolution with regard to travel on armed merchantmen which have recently been so much talked about, in order that there may be afforded an immediate opportunity for full public discussion and action upon them and that all doubts and conjectures may be swept away and our foreign relations once more cleared of damaging misunderstandings.

"The matter is of so grave importance and lies so clearly within the field of executive initiative that I venture the hope that your committee will not think that I am taking unwarranted liberty in making this suggestion as to the business of the House and I very earnestly commend it to their immediate consideration.

"Cordially and sincerely yours,

"WOODROW WILSON."

Another Method Proposed.

Speaker Clark, Majority Leader Kitchin, Representative Flood and Representative Foster, of Illinois, conferred at the Capitol tonight, and agreed to urge that the Rules committee take no step pending action by the Foreign Affairs committee, and that the Foreign Affairs committee should be called together at once to report a substitute resolution, probably an affirmative expression of confidence in the President.

The Rules committee then would be in a position to report out a rule, for immediate consideration of the matter.

Speaker Clark and the others maintained a discreet silence tonight, awaiting what President Wilson might have to say at the White House conference tomorrow morning. There was apparent, however, a distinct feeling that the method adopted by the President to secure action might put the party leaders in a false position. The day's development was the subject of animated discussion during the evening in the lobbies of hotels, where many members of Congress make their homes.

Senator Gore has pending a warning resolution, but a recess instead of an adjournment was taken tonight, and this precludes any chance of Senate action before Thursday.

Senator Lewis, of Illinois, already has

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EXPLAINS CHARGES AGAINST BRANDEIS

Member of His Law Firm Speaks From Knowledge.

WILL CONTINUE TODAY

Edward F. McClennen's Testimony is Heard After That of Opponents of Confirmation is About Finished—Different Light.

Washington, Feb. 29.—An explanation of the various charges against Louis D. Brandeis, now being investigated by a Senate committee considering his nomination for the Supreme Court, was begun today by Edward F. McClennen, of Boston, a member of Mr. Brandeis' law firm. He spoke from his own knowledge of the incidents at issue, from papers connected with the matters, and from the office diary of the firm. He will continue his testimony tomorrow.

Mr. McClennen took the stand with the testimony of those opposing confirmation of the Brandeis nomination practically all in. For more than two weeks the committee has been listening to witnesses, most of whom have attacked the nominee's professional reputation. Today Albert E. Pillsbury, former attorney general of Massachusetts, and Edward W. Hutchins, vice president of the Boston Bar Association, testified that Mr. Brandeis had a reputation for not being straightforward in his dealings. Austen G. Fox, counsel for the opposition, put in evidence a photographic copy of a check for $10 from E. F. McSweeney, of Boston, to Mr. Brandeis, to support a charge that Brandeis was paid by policy holders of the Equitable Life Assurance Society for representing them in their protective association.

Life Insurance Incident.

The first thing Mr. McClennen was asked to tell about was the life insurance incident. He said the Brandeis firm was first employed by the Equitable in 1901, and had handled 30 or 40 cases for it since that time.

"So you were counsel for the Equitable at the time in 1905 when Mr. Brandeis attacked it in a public statement?" inquired Senator Works.

"We were not general counsel at any time. We only acted in specific suits," responded Mr. McClennen.

"Did the company ever complain of the speech?"

"Not that I ever heard about."

The witness stated that Brandeis acted without pay as counsel for the policy-holders who held their organization headquarters in his office and that many of the reforms urged by them were adopted by the company.

"How about this McSweeney check?" inquired Federal Attorney Anderson, representing the committee.

"Oh, that had nothing to do with the protective association," was the response. "Mr. McSweeney consulted Mr. Brandeis about taking the surrender cash value of his policy and Mr. Brandeis charged him $10 for his advice."

Mr. Fox said he had presented the copy of the check merely because he did not know whether Mr. Brandeis was paid by the policy-holders or not.

As tot the charge that Mr. Brandeis was employed by the New Haven or others tot wreck the New England railroad, Mr. McClennen said the office diary showed that Mr. Brandeis ceased to have any connection with the litigation against the New England in June 1, 1895.

WILL STRONGLY ENDORSE THE WILSON ADMINISTRATION TODAY

New York Democrats to Meet in Informal State Convention.

Syracuse, N. Y., Feb. 29. — Strong endorsement of President Wilson and his administration, and the recommendation of four delegates at large to the St. Louis convention, not formally pledged but chosen with the understanding that they will work for the renomination and reelection of the President, were features of the program for tomorrow's informal Democratic State convention, virtually agreed to tonight by leaders of the party.

The delegates at large tentatively decided upon are United States Senator James A. O'Gorman, who is slated to head the delegation; William Church Osborn, chairman of the Democratic state committee; Samuel Untermeyer, of New York, and George J. Meyer, of Buffalo, a German-American Wilson Democrat.

WARNED OF ATTEMPTS TO DYNAMITE EXPLOSIVES PLANT

Factory at Bristol, Va., is Guarded Day and Night.

Bristol, Va.-Tenn., Feb. 29. — Warned by the main offices in New York to be on the look out for possible dynamiters, the officials of the Federal Dyestuff & Chemical Company, at Kingsport, Tenn., are guarding against any attempts that might be made. An armed guard of several men are to keep a watch on the buildings day and night, it is reported.

The New York office of the Federal company is said to have been warned by the secret service department at Washington of attempts to dynamite the plant, the United States officers having received the information from Hopewell. The plant at Kingsport is credited with manufacturing high explosives.

DIAZ PROCLAIMS HIMSELF GENERAL

Chief of Reorganized National Army of Mexico.

HAS HIS HEADQUARTERS

Located at Tierra Colorado, in the State of Vera Cruz—Agreement Drawn Up and Signed by His Followers.

San Antonio, Texas, Feb. 29.—Felix Diaz has been proclaimed general-in-chief of the re-organized National Army of Mexico and has established headquarters at Tierra Colorado ,in the state of Vera Cruz, according to copies of a manifesto bearing Diaz's signature, received here tonight.

The manifesto dated at "The Ranch of Tierra Colorado, in the state of Vera Cruz, February 23, 1916," is addressed to the Mexican nation and, after reviewing conditions in Mexico since 1913, says in part:

"It is impossible to contemplate any longer the sad sight without joining our arms with those groups of patriots who for some months have sustaind with untiring constancy, in various parts of the national territory, the flag of order, of justice and of peace.n And agreeing with these ideas, several Mexicans who love our country and its institutions have agreed to initiate in the republic an armed movement.

"As will be seen further on from the text of the document, I was designated by my companions as general in-chief of the reorganized national army and in that character I appeal to all patriots, and particular to my friends who have been my partisans or sympathizers, to join me in this movement and besides, those of my friends to whom I owe a never to be forgotten debt of gratitude, owing to your services and friendship to me in the past, I entreat you to join me in this movement to destroy, once and forever, anarchy which has not only destroyed our sacred institutions but will finally destroy our nationality."

The Agreement Adopted

"The agreement," said to have been adopted at the Tierra Colorado conference follows:

"Those who subscribed at the camp in Tierra Colorado, in the state of Vera Cruz, February 23, 1916, decided to begin a revolutionary armed movement and in cobination with our groups in different portions of the nation which have indicated their desire to join us in the re-establishment of order and the reorganization of our powers and institutions under the legal forms which were in force on the 10t hda yof October, 1913, the date on which General Huerta dissolved the congress of the union who were elected legally by the people. We agree to fight until the last and we have for our only purpose the salvation of our country, by means of the cessation of anarchy, re-establishments of public powers and re-establishment of our institutions and the betterment of our working classes. We agree as follows:

"We will name the army who have to verify the work referred to in the preceding paragraph the Re-organized National Army.

"We name as general-in-chief of said army the citizen, Felix Diaz.

"We confer on said chief during the time required to reorganize the institutions and the re-establishment of peace extraordinary authorities in all the branches of warfare, state and government.

"The National Reorganized Army will comply with and obey all decrees or orders issued by the general-in-chief by which he is authorized under this act.

"We declare that on the 10th of October, 1913, General Xictoriano Huerta, when he dissolved the congress of the Union, interrupted the order of the constitution when he constituted himself an usurper of the public function. With respect to the functionaries who contracted responsibilities for any acts that they committed, the subject is to be tried by laa t dnhtr eibunCMRDFWL betried by law and the tribunals of our country."

Directed from San Antonio.

The arrival here of Manuel Calero, formerly identified with Madero and Huerta parties, traveling incognito, has placed Federal secret service operatives on the alert. They are working on an apparently reliable report that San An-

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THE DAY IN CONGRESS

SENATE

Met at noon.

Resumed debate on Shields water power bill.

Witnesses testified on Louis D. Brandeis nomination to the Supreme Court, before Judiciary sub-committee.

Military committee continued work on the army re-organization bill.

Committee hearings in sisal investigation continued.

Recessed at 6:19 P. M. until noon Wednesday.

HOUSE

Met at noon.

Began debate on legislative appropriation bill.

Naval and Military committees continued work on national defense programme.

Adjourned at 5:10 P. M. until noon Wednesday.

ALL FOR HARMONY AT ANY SACRIFICE

The Other Faction to Make the Sacrifice, However.

BUTLER-DUNCAN FIGHT

Republicans at Raleigh Very Gravely Concerned Over the Outlook for Resulting of Factions Today—Ticket Probable.

(Special Star Telegram).

Raleigh ,N. C., Feb. 29—Hhe possibility of harmony is the all absorbing topic and matter ofovershadowing concern among the great number of Republicans gathering for the State convention tomorrow. There is the gravest concern over the uoltook, some of the Progressives hinting that it is already apparent that the factions will be unable to get together and that in that event a Progressive convention will be called. Party men close to Marion Butler are giving out these intimations.

The split, they intimate, will come over the persistance of E. C. Duncan in seeking re-election to the national committeemanship, a place he has held for sixteen years. Butler is quoted as insisting that the old leader must be eliminated, he to step aside with the rest, and as being determined to split the convention wide open if Duncan's friends persist in pressing his name for national committeeman on the floor of the convention.

Butler said this afternoon that the Republicans have a fine opportunity to make a winning campaign this year, if discordant elements are willing to make the sacrifice necessary for harmony. He declined to be quoted as to the Duncan candidacy for national committeeman, but his friends are free to represent him as determined that Duncan shall not have the place. This seems to be the price of harmony, so far as the element of the party controlled by Butler is concerned.

Nominations Very Probable.

Col. J. M. Morehead says there is every indication that the convention will get together on a ticket to recommend to the Republicans "back home" to be voted for in the State-wide primaries. He would not discuss probable candidates. The fact is he is being much talked of for governor, in spite of the movement in his district to put him against Congressman Webb for the House of Representatives. State Chairman Frank Linney is also much mentioned as the party candidate for governor.

Speaking of possible recommendations as party candidates, Marion Butler said it was not worth while to agonize over candidates until it was settled that there is to be harmony in the convention and that, if there is not, every one had just as well go back home and save the trouble and expense of a campaign. He said good and true men of the party have been making personal sacrifices for the party for years now and that it was needless to have a half-way patching up of party differences now only to meet another and worse defeat in the campaign. He preferred the continuance of an absolute break for another two or four years until all party leaders realize that there must be harmony and unity at

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RESULTS ARE AWAITED WITH GRAVE CONCERN

New Submarine Policy In Effect Last Midnight.

Much Depends Upon Nature of Circumstances if Americans Should be Injured by Attack on Ship Defensively Armed.

Washington, Feb. 29.—Results in the new Austro-German submarine campaign against armed merchant ships of the Entente Allies, beginning at midnight, are awaited by the United States with grave concern. Although under their new instructions, Teutonic naval commanders are authorized to sink without warning all armed enemy merchantmen they encounter, it is understood they have been told to make sure if possible that no American citizens are aboard any ship attacked.

Furthermore, in the latest communication regarding submarine warfare, Germany has assured the United States that the new orders are so formulated as to prevent the destruction of enemy liners "on account of their armament unless such armament is proved."

The attitude of the United States government toward the new policy of Germany and Austria has not been definitely determined. President Wilson today discussed the subject in a conference with Secretary Lansing and then laid the German communication before his cabinet. Later, it was said that because the all-important appendices to the German memorandum had been delayed in transit, the State Department thus far was unable to determine whether the claims set forward by Germany and Austria in justification of their course were sustained. The State Department tomorrow probably will take steps to determine what has become of the missing appendices which were started in the mails from Berlin nearly three weeks ago.

Meanwhile, if any American citizen is injured during the attack by a submarine on a merchant ship, which does not and has no intention of using its armament otherwise than defensively, a grave situation will arise.

COMMITTEES SOON READY TO REPORT BIGGER ARMY BILLS

Measures Expected to be Introduced in Both Houses of Congress Next Week.

ADMIRAL KNIGHT HEARD

Urges Fleet Equal to Those of Any Two Nations Except Great Britain.

Washington, Feb. 29 — The campaign for national preparedness will enter a new phase in Congress next week, when in all probability bills providing for increasing the army to an extent never before contemplated in time of peace will be introduced in both the House and Senate. The House Military committee will begin tomorrow its final review of the measure tentatively agreed upon last week and the final vote probably will be taken Thursday.

The Senate committee agreed today to insert only a general provision for the federalization of the National Guard in its regular army reorganization measure, leaving the task of putting this legislation in final shape to the joint conference committee to which the two bills will go. By this action, the Senate committee made it possible to bring out its bill also next week.

Admiral Knight Again

Before the House Naval committee, Rear Admiral Knight continued today his recommendations that every facility in the country be employed to hasten construction of a fleet equal to those of any two nations except Great Britain. American policies, such as the Monroe Doctrine, Asiatic Exclusion, Control of the Panama Canal and the Open Door in China, he declared, constituted a great and growing threat of war unless adequate preparation to uphold them are made.

Admiral Knight said he believed it would take two years and a half to make the navy efficiency enough to meet the present German fleet with any hope of success. The time limit, he said, was the minimum required to build nine battle cruisers and eight fast scouts. He said it would take 18 months to put the ships of the Atlantic fleet in full active commission, in readiness for war.

"Not that we would not make a good showing against any force in much less time," he said.

Would Rush Building.

Representative Farr asked if it would not be necessary to begin construction immediately in all available government wards, if a number of battle ships were to be built in a hurry. He called attention to published figures stating that in the last ten years Germany had built 173 fighting ships, England 252 and the United States 64.

Admiral Knight said he understood a sub-committee of the Naval committee would be named later to investigate the subject of ship-building facilities, public and private. He advised that the Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Norfolk, Mare Island and Puget Sound yards be equipped immediately for their maximum output of big ships.

Major General Barnett, commander of the marine corps, followed Admiral Knight, urging that 150 officers, 52 warrant officers and 2,379 men be added to the corps to bring it up to the strength advocated by the general board and approved by Secretary Daniels, which is on the basis of one-fifth of the strength of the navy personnel. He asked also that the one-fifth standard be written into permanent law, and said Secretary Daniels approved this proposal, although it was an increase over what had originally been asked for by the department.

Service in Haiti.

General Barnett said he had prepared and Secretary Daniels would submit to Congress at once legislation designed to permit marine officers to accept service under the Hatien government in the constabulary, now that the treaty has been ratified. Fifteen companies, already, had been organized, in Haiti, he said, but thirty-five additional officers for the force were needed. Enough men had volunteered from the marine corps, he said, to provide all the officers for this duty in that way.

Representative Tilson, of the House Military committee, in an address to the House today, said that while there were hundreds of gun and ammunition factories in operation in this country, none but government plants were prepared to produce the weapons and cartridges needed by the American army. He introduced a bill to provide for the manufacture of special tools and fixtures to make the necessary changes in privately owned machines at an estimated cost of $15,000,000 to $20,000,000.

The Senate Military committee agreed tentatively today to amend the present volunteer act so that a third force, exclusive of the regular army or the national guard may be organized in peace times. In effect, the proposal is to supply the authority for a test of the continental army plan advocated by the president and former Secretary Garrison. A provision with the same end in view is now included in the House bill.

Members of the House committee in reference to federalization of the national guard, said today that they believed a constitutional amendment, sweeping aside all state jurisdiction, would be necessary to the end.

INTERNED GERMAN SHIPS ARE SEIZED

The Italian Government Requisitions 34 in Her Ports.

PURPOSE NOT STATED

May Be Italy's Answer to New German Submarine Policy—Allies Need Merchant Ships in Their Business.

London, Feb. 29.—It was announced in the house of commons today that the Italian government had requisitioned 34 of the 37 German steamers interned in Italian ports.

OF INTEREST TO AMERICA

Much Speculation as to What Italy's New Move May Mean

Washington, Feb. 29—Announcement of Italy's seizure of German ships in ner waters attracted much attention in official and diplomatic circles, and in some quarters the belief was expressed that the seizure was the first of a series of acts which eventually might lead to war between Italy and Germany.

Although diplomatic relations between the two countries have been broken off, they have not been at war. What Germany's response to Italy's action might be diplomats here today said they were unable to predict.

One of the leading explanations advanced for Italy's action was that she proposed to answer the new Germanic submarine campaign which goes into effect at midnight by sending German-owned ships to sea to meet the Teutonic submersibles. Another explanation advanced was that Great Britain, short of ocean ships from submarine activities wanted to use the ships in Italian ports and was urging Italy to war on Germany.

The ships seized by Italy are worth millions of dollars. A total of 57 German and Austrian vessels are in Italian ports, the Austrian ships having been seised when Italy declared war on the dual monarchy. The status of the German vessels until now has been the same as that of German vessels which remained in American ports after war began.

The allied nations are short of ships and transfer of Germa nvessels to the flag of Italy and their use by the Entente Allies would do much towards relieving the congestion of goods on American docks awaiting shipments to the allied countries.

ANGLO-FRENCH ANSWER

Will be Delivered in Immediate Future—Seizure of Mails.

London, Feb. 29.—The Anglo-French answer to the proetsts of the United States regarding the seizure of mails in transit between America and Europe will be delivered in the immediate future, according to official announcement tonight.

Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 29.—President Wilson today formally consented to the use of his name as a candidate for the presidency by Georgia Democrats in their selection of delegates to the national convention at St. Louis. The state committee recently decided that unless more than one candidate offered for the presidential nomination, no primary would be held.

GEORGIAN HANGED AT HIS HOME IN MEXICO

Grover C. Varn is Murdered by Villa Bandits.

Reports Received by State Department and by Relatives at Valdosta, Ga. Train Service to Durango is Discontinued.

Washington, Feb. 29.—The murder of Grover C. Varn, an American, by Villa forces, at his home last night, 25 miles north of Durango, was reported officially today to the State Department. No details were given. Advices to the department today said railway communications between Calera and Torreon had been indefinitely suspended or account of the operations of bandits.

Another dispatch from Durango said there had been no train service between that point and Chihuahua for nearly two weeks.

Was Hanged, Says Report.

Valdosta, Ga., Feb. 29.—Grover C. Varn, reported in State Department dispatches at Washington as having been murdered by bandits near Durango, Mexico, was hanged by them, according to messages received by members of his family today. George W. Varn, a brother, who recently returned from that section of Mexico, where the brothers and their father, J. E. Varn, owned a ranch and mining property, is preparing to return there to investigate his brother's death.

Another American Hanged.

Torreon, Mexico, Feb. 29.—An American hotel keeper named Harris has been hanged by bandits at Sombreto, in the state of Zacatecas, it was reported today. The date of the hanging was not learned. Harris had lived in Sombreto for forty years.

Bandits are reported to have looted the ranch of John Kramer, an American, at Otinopa, west of Durango City. Kramer with his American employees are said to have saved their lives by hiding.

GERMANS MAKING PREPARATION FOR FURTHER ADVANCE

Less Activity North of Verdun; French Using Artillery to the East.

TEUTONS GAIN POINTS

Russians Have Driven Germans Back and Advanced Their Line Near Dvinsk.

With the lessening of the activity of the contending forces to the north of Verdun, the French in the Woevre region east of Verdun are using their artillery to break bp German preparations for further advances toward the fortress. At various points the fire of the French guns has prevented the Germans from launching offensives.

In the Vosges mountains there also has been great artillery activity by the French near Senones and Ban-De-Sapt, while near Seppois the Germans have been driven out of trenches they had previously taken. In the Champagne region, the German fortified works in the region of Hill No. 193 have been battered by the French guns and the crater of a mine exploded by the Germans was occupied by the French.

The Germans have added several additional points to their terrain in the fighting about Verdun, having been enabled to construct trenches on the slopes north of the Cote Du Poivre, and to capture an armored work northwest of Douaumont, and have taken the towns Manheulles and Champton, 28 miles southeast of Verdun. In this drive to the east fo Verdun, the advance of the Germans has extended over a front virtually 12 miles—from Dieppe to Champton.

Berlin reports that thus far they have taken prisoners 228 officers, 16,676 men and a large number of guns, machine guns and much war material. ese has been considerable artillery activity an dfights in the air between battalions of German and British aviators, along the British front in France and Belgium.

In the Dvinsk region of Russian, the Russians have driven the Germans back and advanced their line, and put down under heavy fire an attempt at a counter attack.

Erzerum Powerfully Defended.

In a lengthy statement in reply to an official communication issued from Constantinople, the Russian general staff describes the powerful defenses which guarded Erzerum, and declares that the force of the blow dealt by the Russians can be estimated by the fact that some of the Turkish army corps of three divisions each now number only a few thousand men, all the remainder either having perish or been taken prisoner.

Details are lacking concerning the disaster to the French auxiliary cruiser Province, which has been lost in the Mediterranean. While the French ministry of marine estimates the number of survivors at 870, no estimate is made of the casualties.

Germans Claim Progress

Berlin, Feb. 29, via London. — Progress for the Germans in their drive towards Verdun in the Woevre district was announced by the war office today. The German troops have passed Dieppe, Abaucourt and Blanches, nd also have taken Manhuelles and Champion.

French Auxiliary Cruiser Sunk.

Paris, Feb. 29, via London — The auxiliary French cruised Provence was sunk in the Mediterrannean last Saturday, it was officially announced today. At Malta 296 survivors have been landed.

Evacuating Trebizond.

London, Feb. 29. — A Central News dispatch from Petrograd says the Turks are hastily evacuating Trebizond and the neighboring towns on the Black sea coast of the Caucasus region.

"FANTASTIC DESTRUCTION."

Situation Where Germans Have Gained Ground Near Verdun.

Berlin, via London, Feb. 29. — The correspondents of the Berlin newspapers who were permitted on Sunday to visit the ground gained by the Germans in the Verdun conflict, describe the effect of the German artillery fire on the village of Haumont as having left a unique picture of fantastic destruction. The same was true of the town of Brabant.

The correspondents assert that the French field artillery was so overwhelmed by the Germans that it was frequently unable to make itself dangerous. The French long range guns were doing their best to keep Fort Douaumont smothered in a rain of shells after five attempts by the French to recapture it had failed.

NEW RULE OF SUBMARINE WARFARE PUT INTO EFFECT

Berlin, Feb. 28, via London, Feb. 29 — (Delayed) — The Associated Press is informed by Germany's leading statesmen that the new rule of submarine warfare which was announced in the German memorandum regarding the future treatment of armed merchantment will positively be put into effect at midnight of tomorrow, Tuesday, February 29.

FEW MERCHANTMEN MENACED IT SEEMS

None But Fleet of Armed Italian Steamers.

NEW TEUTONIC POLICY

Other Italian Liners to be Armed—List of Ships Known to be Armed Given With Their Sailing Registers.

New York, Feb. 29.—Only a small proportion of the shipping plying between American and European ports—a fleet of armed Italian merchantmen—appears to be menaced by the new Teutonic submarine policy which goes into effect at midnight. British and French ships that have arrived here and at other Atlantic ports during the past year have carried no guns.

Seven Italian ships with naval guns mounted on their after decks, and manned by trained crews from the Italian navy, have been plying between New York and Mediterranean ports since the first of the year and one similarly armed put in at Fort Arthur, Texas.

Five other Italism liners in the New York trade are understood to have been measured for armament to be placed on their next arrival at home ports. Of the latter, the steamship San Giovanni sailed at noon today for Naples and Genoa. The San Giovanni carries only freight on this trip.

The steamship Giuseppi Verdi, the first Italian liner to arrive here thus armed, is due to leave port tomorrow, this being her second round trip as an armed vessel. Her agents had not ascertained today the number of passengers she will carry but believed that the number would not be large, the majority being third class.

The steamships San Gullielmo and Napoli, also armed, are due to sail with freight for the Mediterranean on March 4th. Other armed Italian liners were last recorded in maritime records as follows:

Steamship America, reported as arriving at Genoa on February 15, is due here March 5, to sail on the return voyage March 11.

Steamship Stampalia, arrived at Genoa on February 27.

Steamship Caserta, reported from Gibraltar February 19, is said by her local agents here to have arrived at Naples, date not given.

Steamship Taormina, left New York February 17 for Naples.

Italian ships in the New York-Mediterranean trade that are expected in shipping circles to be armed are:

Verona, at Spezia, on February 14; San Gorgio, at Naples February 8 and believed tot have sailed for New York; Regina D'Talia, left Naples February 15 for New York; Re D'Talia, last reported at Southhampton on January 16, but scheduled tto leave here on April 1.

The Italian steamship Prometo, which put into Port Arthur, Texas, on February 9, with guns mounted fore and aft, left that port on February 12, for Italy and has not since been reported.

Local agents of the Italian lines here today declined to discuss the new submarine orders, but all said in so far as they knew now there would be no interruption of the sailing dates. They also said late toda ythat they had received no specific instructions from home offices of the line or from representatives of the Italian government.

DIAZ PROCLAIMS HIMSELF GENERAL

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tonio is to be one of the centers from which a new revolution in Mexico is to be directed.

Calero denied his identity at a local hotel, but friends who knew him in Mexico have identified him. They declare he is in close touch with General Felix Diaz.

Calero was a minister in Francisco de La Barra's cabinet, minister in the Madero cabinet and one time Mexican ambassador at Washington.

DIAZ LEFT FEBRUARY 18

Sailed from Tampa for Tierra, Says Report in Washington.

Washington, Feb. 29.—Reports today to the Department of Justice said General Felix Diaz, who hopes to start a new revolution in Mexico, left the United States on February 18 on a ship bound from Tampa, Fla., to Tierra, in the state of Vera Cruz, Mexico.

This advice came from an agent of the bureau of investigation and officials were inclined to give it credence. Agents of the bureau were busy today watching the thread of the reported Diaz plot in various sections of the country with a view to checking any effort to send him arms or ammunition. Particular attention was directed to El Paso where one of Diaz's friends is believed to be working in his interest, and to New York, where it is understood an effort may be made to obtain financial aid for the new revolution.

PLAN FIGHT ON BOLL WEEVIL.

Alabama Farmers and Business Men Adjourn Two Days' Session.

Montgomery, Ala., Feb 29. — The conference of business men, planters and farmers, to devise ways and means of fighting the boll weevil, completed its two days' session here today. It was the largest conference of this character since the first boll weevil convention in the United States, held in Shreveport, La., in 1904.

Dr. Bradford Knapp, head of the farm demonstration work for the United States government, arranged with Montgomery business men to send a government expert to this vicinity to personally aid the planters to combat the boll weevil. The government will pay his expenses and local business men will pay his salary. Dr. Knapp stated that the "boll weevil will unhorse horseback farmers, and it will cut the wires of telephone farmers."

BUST OF THE PRESIDENT

To be Unveiled at the Democratic National Convention

Richmond, Va., Feb. 29. — Franz Vittor, a sculptor, left here today for Washington, where, he announced, that he will arrange with President Wilson for sittings for a bust of the President, which is to be unveiled at the Democratic convention in St. Louis. No announcement has been made here as to the donor of the bust.

SPORTS

ALL-STATE BASKETBALL QUINT.

Selected by Coach Doak, of Trinity. Long First as Forward.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Trinity College, N. C., Feb 29.—Coach "Bob" Doak, of the Trinity basketball team, has announced his choice for an all-State quint as follows: Forwards, Long, of Carolina, W. Holding, of Wake Forest, and Anderson, of Trinity, as substitute; center, Franks, of Wake Forest, with Bunting, of Trinity, as substitute, and guards, Martin, of Trinity, Johnson of Carolina, and Mason, of A. & M. as substitute.

In selecting an all-State quintette several matters must be taken into consideration. In choosing a center, one must consider ability tto jump, guard, pass, and score, and in choosing a guard, offensive as well as defensive work must be considered, and in the selection of a forward, ability to score must not be the only consideration, but attention must be given to defensive ability as well. Coach Doak has selected the all-State quintette in this way.

Long, who has been given first place as a forward, was last year one of the leading scorers in the South Atlantic division, and this year he has maintained this reputation and has improved in defensive work. W. Holding runs Long a close second, being in Coach Doak's opinion one of the best forwards ever seen in this State. Anderson, of Trinity, is given third plase because of his passing ability and his defensive work as well as for his ability to score. Hall, of Wake Forest, deserves special mention on account of his ability to score and to pass, although he is somewhat weak on defense, while Ferrell, of Trinity, has made a good showing in passing and in defense, but has not been a heavy scorer.

EASTERN CAROLINA LEAGUE OF SEMI-AMATEURS PLANNED.

Meeting Called to be Held at Washington, N. C., March 15th.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Kinston, N. C., Feb. 29.—Lindsay Warren, a Washington lawyer, has written letters to leading fans in Kinston, Newbern, Greenville, Goldsboro, Aurora, Williamston and Plymouth asking them tto see that their respective totwns are represented at a meeting in Washington on March 15th at which an effort will be made to organize an East Carolina semi-professional baseball league. Lawyer Warren's plan is regarded by local sportsmen as entirely feasible, and Kinston is practically certain of being represented. The idea is to have each town depend upon local amateur talent with the exception of not more than four hired men, to have each club play four games a week, two at home and two abroad, and to organize in a businesslike way so that the association may be made self-sustaining. Such an association was had many years ago, and proved a success.

FLEET SCHOOL WINS.

Defeats Spartanburg Basketball Team by Score of 64 to 34.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Flat Rock, N. C., Feb. 29.—In a fast game on the Fleet school basketball court Saturday afternoon, the Fleet school team administered a defeat to the five from Mastoc school of Spartanburg by the scoire of 64 to 34. The score at the end of the first half was 36 to 8, the visiting team never being in the lead.

Orr, of Fleet school, was the star of the contest, scoring 17 field goals for his team. Orr was formerly of Wilmington. The line-up follows:

Fleet		Hastoc
Howden,J.	RF	Carlisle
Bucknell	LF	McConnell
Orr	C	Howard
Green	RG	Alexander
Howden,F.	LG	Kennedy

Referee, McAlpine.

Palm Beach, Fla., Feb. 29.—E. H. Bankhead, Jr., secretary of the Western Golf Association, tonight announced that a mail vote of the directors of the association repudiated its recent action in accepting the California oger for free transportation to the annual tournament here.

TO GIVE EXHIBITION IN NEWBERN TONIGHT

Hanson and Schmidt to Work Out on Newbern Mat This Evening.

Fritz Hanson will leave this morning for Newbern, where tonight he will give a wrestling exhibition with big Max Schmidt, who for some weeks has been his training partner here, and who is now located in Newbern under the management of several of the leading sportsmen and business men of that city.

The exhibition between Schmidt and Hanson tonight will be the first of its kind to be held in Newbern for some time, and will be for the purpose of familiarizing the sporting public with the various wrestling holds and locks, with the counters and blocks. Hanson and Schmidt work together beautifully, as those who have seen them on the mat here can testify, and their exhibition should prove most interesting to the Newbern fans tonight.

The exhibition is preparatory to a series of matches between Schmidt and other well known men in his class.

Hanson will return to the city tomorrow at noon, in time to make all preparations for his match with Jim Poulious, of Jacksonville, Fla., Friday night.

EIGHT HIGH SCHOOLS LEFT IN STATE CHAMPIONSHIP CONTEST

Wilmington to Play Kinston at Kinston Tomorrow—Basketball.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Chapel Hill, Feb. 29.—The contest for the State high school basketball championship has now narrowed down to eight schools—four belonging to the eastern division and four to the west. In the west the Winston Highs play Lexington at Winston Tuesday, February 29, and Asheville plays Cherryville at Asheville on the same day. The winning teams will probably meet the last of the week to decide the western championship. In the east Wilmington plays Kinston at Kinston Thursday, March 2. The winner plays Kenly High School Friday, and the winner of this contest meets the Durham quint Saturday to decide the eastern championship.

The exact date of the final game between the two teams representing the east and west will be announced later This game will be played at Chapel Hill. Last year the State championship was won by Winston-Salem

WAKE FOREST KEEPS IT UP

Defeats Elon College in Basketball Game on Latter's Floor.

(Special Star Telegram).

ElonCollege, N. C., Feb. 29.—Wake Forest kept up her winning streak by defeating Elon on the local floor tonight 14 to 32 in a beautiful game. The Wake Forest boys had their eyes on the pocket and never lost a chance. The Elon fellows could not find the pocket, even for free chances. Luck spelled defeat for Elon and victory for Wake Forest. Elon got only two fowls out of twelve, Wake Forest six out of nine. Every man on both teams starred. Lineup:

Wake Forest	position	Elon College
Hall	RF	Bradford
Holding	IF	Bailey
Franks	C	Shine Bradford
Beam	RG	Morrison
Robley	LG	Sorrells

Stockard, referee; Lewis, umpire.

TRINITY DEFEATS GUILFORD.

Walks Away With Visitors in One-Sided Game of Basketball.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Durham, N. C., Feb. 29.—Trinity walked away with Guilford here tonight in the last game of the season by a score of 61 to 23. The game was so one-sided throughout that there was little interest.

Captain Seaman, of Guilford, showed fair form at times and led the scoring of the visitors with four field goals and two foul goals. At times Worth and Smith showed up well, but on the whole the entire visiting team was deficient in every respect.

Martin shot 13 field goals and six foul goals out of 12 chances, thereby leading the Trinity scoring.

Waxahatchie, Texas, Feb. 29.—Eighteen Detroit American League "recruits" arrived here today for spring training under the tutelage of Billy Sullivan, catcher, who accompanied the squad. Other members of the team will report next week.

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VIRGINIA LEAGUE SALARY LIMIT INCREASED TO $1,400

Newport News Comes Across and the League is Now Full.

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 29.—At a meeting of the directors of the Virginia Baseball League held here tonight, the salary limit was increased to $1,400 exclusive of the manager. No player is to receive more than $150 a month. An arbitration board composed of W. B. Bradley, of Richmond, and W. S. Beamon, of Suffolk, was named to settle disputes between player. A check for $1,000 was received from the owners of the Newport News club, which amount was required from all clubs as a guarantee that they would finish the season. The circuit will be composed of Norfolk, Portsmouth, Newport News, Petersburg and Hopewell, Va., and Rocky Mount, N. C.

GEO. W. BRUNSON, JR., RESIGNS

Leaves Greenville News For New York Advertising Field.

Greenville, S. C., Feb. 29.—George W. Brunson, Jr., announces his resignation as president and editor of the Greenville News Company, effective early in March. Mr. Brunson, after ten years service here, will enter the advertising business in New York City. The directors of the company announce the election of James C. Derieux to be managing editor; B. H. Peace, business manager, and J. Rion McKissick, associate editor.

Pinehurst, N. C., Feb. 29.—Philip Carter, of New York, with a card of 158 for the 36 holes, won the gold medal for low qualifying score in the annual spring golf tournament here today.

ANOTHER DIES AT GREENVILLE

As Result of Injuries Received When Boiler Exploded

Greenville, S. C., Feb. 29.—Ellis H. Julion, night watchman Conestee Mills, near Greenville, died early Tuesday morning as the result of injuries received in a boiler explosion at the mill Monday night. Investigation has so far failed to reveal the cause of the explosion. Two deaths resulted. The plant will resume operations on a limited scale Wednesday.

FOR OVERWORKED WOMEN

This is the season of the year when the wife and mother begins to feel the strain of household and social duties, and gets into a run-down, nervous, weakened condition. To all such our local druggist, Robert R. Bellamy, says, "We have a rare combination of the three oldest tonics known, in Vinol, which we guarantee to restore strength, make you eat better, sleep better and feel better, or we will return your money.

NO GREAT DESTITUTION

Found in Louisiana Flood Districts by Investigating Committee.

New Orleans, Feb. 29—The members of the Mississippi river commission arrived here tonight ending a general investigation trip started at Cairo February 23. Colonel C. M. Townsend, president of the commission, announced that careful investigations had been made in the flooded areas of northern Louisiana and no cases of great destitution were found. He added recommendations relative to relief work are in the course of preparation.

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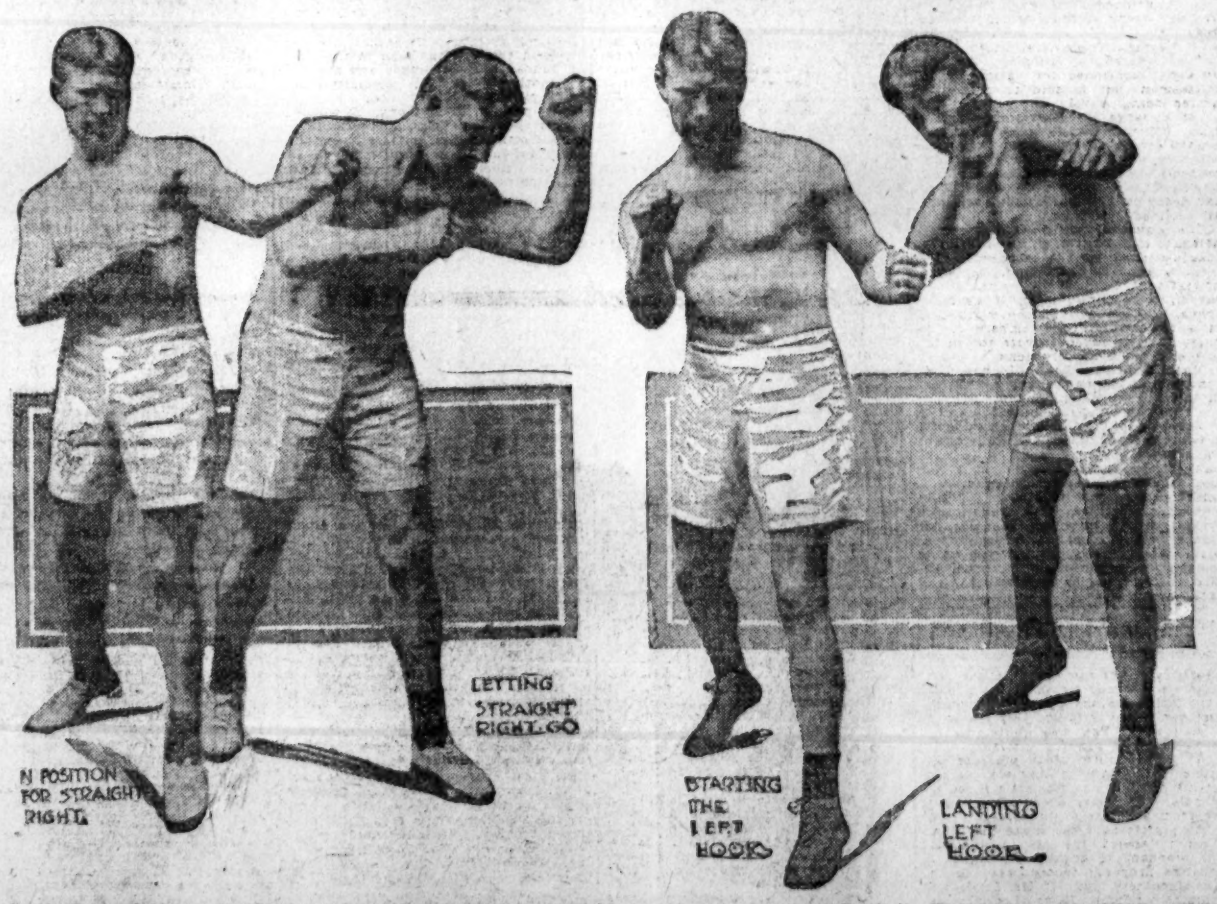

Frank Moran, challenger for the championship of the world, has two mighty punches with which he might win it. He has what most mighty punchers among the championos have had, a hard left hook and a hard straight right. Had Moran a hard right upper cut he would have all the punches necessary.

But his left hook contains a knockout. So does his straight right. Joe Gans, woh was the cleanest hitting champion known to the American ring, had the same punches But to them he added a good upper cut.

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Invested in City Bonds		$45,500.00
Certificates of Deposit:		
Murchison National Bank	$15,500 74	
Home Savings Bank	850.42	
Citizens' Bank	1,500.00	
Atlantic Trust and Banking Co.	4,086.72	
Wilmington Savings and Trust Co.	4,474.41	
People's Savings Bank	1,953 83	
American National Bank	2,750.00	
		31,126.12
Total		$79,625.12

W. D. McCAIG,
Councilman Accounts and Finance.

(Dispatch copy.)

BUTLER'S FIRE IS ANSWERED IN KIND

Maxwell Shows Taxes Are in Proportion to Wealth

THOSE OLD BONDS AGAIN

Secretary of State Tax Commission Shows Per Capita Taxes and Wealth in This State Comparatively Low.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 29.—Secretary A. J. Maxwell, of the Corporation Commission, delivered another broadside on Marion Butler's "Taxes and Debt" propaganda today, answering his latest article published in the Republican press of the State most completely, on the eve of the Republican State convention, which gathers here tomorrow and is expected to block out the campaign platform with State finances and taxation as an object of special attack.

Answering the latest claim by Mr. Butler that there should be taken into consideration the average wealth of the people of the State compared with the wealth of the people of the other states with which tax conditions are compared, Mr. Maxwell shows that the average wealth in this State $767 per capita and the average for the United States $1,836, this being 239 per cent greater than the average for the State. The average State taxes per capita in this State is $1.43 and the average for the United States $3.80, this being 237 per cent greater than in this State.

At the same time the average state taxes for the United States is 265 per cent. greater than in North Carolina. Mr. Maxwell shows, further that taxes in this State are lower in the Democratic than in the Republican counties of the State and he hits especially hard the Butler connection with the South Dakota and the general fraudulent bond situation as it bears on state finances. The Maxwell statement follows:

"I notice a reply in the Republican press of the State to my answer to the Butler pamphlet on 'Taxes and Debt,' which permit some further consideration of the subject.

"Mr. Butler's attack was directed at the report of the State Tax Commission, showing by quotation from the census reports that the property tax is less per capita in North Carolina than in any other state. Mr. Butler alleged in his pamphlet that this was not the proper basis on which to consider the tax burden; that the proper basis was to consider the rate of tax on each hundred dollars worth of property and cited ten states in which there had been a reduction of the tax rate in the ten year period, 1903 to 1913, and without any reference to the basis of assessment in those states.

"I answered Mr. Butler conclusively on this point by showing from exact figures that these states had reduced their rates because of having adopted the plan of assessing all property at its full market value, and that as a matter of fact taxes were not only a great deal higher per capita in those states, but that the percentage of increase for the ten year period in those states was greater than in North Carolina.

Taxes Less in Proportion to Per Capita Wealth.

"Now Mr. Butler says we should take into consideration the average wealth of the people of this State compared with the wealth of the people of other states. I will be glad to accommodate him and make comparison of this basis.

"The census report, Vol. 1, page 26, shows average wealth of this State $767 per capita; average for the United States $1,836. So that the average wealth of the United States is 140 per cent greater than in North Carolina.

"The same authority, Vol. 2, page 36, shows average state taxes per capital in this State at $1.43; average for the United States $3.80. So that, while the average wealth of the United States is 140 per cent greater, the average payment of taxes for state purposes in the United States is 166 per cent greater than in North Carolina. Discounting our average wealth of 140 per cent our average payment of taxes is still substantially less.

"Presumably Mr. Butler will now have some other method to apply, and if so he is invited to submit it. The Tax Commission tested out in every reasonable way the conclusion of the Census Department that our tax payment is less per capita than in any other state before incorporating that conclusion in its report, and if it is not correct will be glad to have it shown.

Taxes Lower in Democratic Than Republican Counties.

"Of course taxes have increased in the last ten years in this and every other state, as the people have demanded, and voted upon themselves the taxes to pay for public improvements, and Mr. Butler thinks to make this a party issue because the people, irrespective of party, have demanded progress. This makes it pertinent to inquire whether rates are lower in Republican or Democratic counties in this State. As shown in my former article the State tax now levied for general State purposes is four cents on each hundred dollars worth of property less than Mr. Butler's crowd levied in 1897. So we must look to local sources for the bulk of the increase of which he complains. There were sixteen counties in the State managed by Republican Boards of Commissioners in 1914, the last year for which complete figures are available. The tax rate levied by these sixteen counties and by the other 84 counties in 1914 is shown on page 282 of the annual report of the State Tax Commission for 1915. This shows that the average tax levy in the sixteen counties managed by Republicans (including the State tax, which is the same in each county) is $1.019 on each hundred dollars worth of property. The average tax rate in the 84 Democratic counties was 96.7 cents on each hundred dollars worth of property. So if Mr. Butler's promise is correct, and the governing party is responsible in each case for the increase in taxes for public improvements, the citizens of those sixteen counties should retire their Republican Boards of County Commissioners and put Democratic boards in charge. And notwithstanding the lower average tax rate in the Democratic counties, those counties in the State that have made most progress in public improvement will be found in the Democratic list of counties. Not a one in the list of Republican counties has made a conspicuous record for building public roads and other public improvements.

"Mr. Butler complains that the bonded indebtedness of the State is shown by the census report to be $3.54 per capita in 1912, while the average for all the states is only $3.57. The same table in the census report, page 77, Vol. 1, from which he quotes, shows the average of the year 1899, the year in which the Butler crowd turned the State government back to the Democrats, as $3.51. In other words the State debt increased an average of three cents per capita in those thirteen years. If it had not been necessary to issue the $250,000 of State bonds to pay the judgment of the state of South Dakota, for the reconstruction bonds presented to that state by the Butler syndicate, there would have been an actual reduction in the bonded indebtedness of the State per capita for that thirteen year period. And the South Dakota bonds, and the short term bonds issued to take care of the deficit in the operation of the penitentiary by the Butler crowd, are the only bonds issued by the Democratic administration since 1899, except for permanent improvements.

"Mr. Butler tells the people of the State to look at their tax receipt and see for themselves if their taxes have not increased in the eighteen years since 1898. He would be an unfortunate citizen, in a growing State with rapidly increasing property values, if his tax receipt had not increased in eighteen years. But the increase in the taxable value of his property has not been as great as the increase in the actual value of his property as shown by the census report. From 1906 to 1912 tax values increased in this State 248 per cent. The census report shows increase in actual value of property in this State for same period of 265 per cent. And incidentally the increase in tax value for 1915 is not 20 per cent as stated by Mr. Butler, but 10.5 per cent.

Increase For Public Improvements is by Vote of People.

"Mr. Butler always confuses the question of State taxes with taxes for local improvements voted for by the people irrespective of party allegiance. The only conspicuous example of running a public improvement over the people without their consent was the action of the Republican representative from Davidson county in the last Legislature, who put through a $300,000 bond issue for roads without either the knowledge or consent of his constituents. The tax payers themselves are generally responsible for these increases in local taxes, and when the tax payer compared his tax receipts with 1898 he should compare his public schools with 1898, and his roads and streets, his lights, water, sewerage and other improvements as well as the increased value of his property which has come largely as a direct result of these public improvements, and when he strikes a balance if he is not satisfied with the account he could properly determine to vote against such improvements in the future, but it furnishes no reason why he should vote against a Democratic administration and harken to the Butler challenge, "Back to 1898." The people of this State remember 1898 as they remember no other date in history since 1865. They remember Mr. Butler. They don't need to be told who he is or what he has done for North Carolina. He denies now that he is interested in any bond syndicate making a collection of repudiated and fraudulent North Carolina bonds. It may be that Mr. Butler has sold out and cashed in on his transaction in these old fraudulent bonds, but certain it is that he was not only connected with such a syndicate in 1905, but was one of the active managers of such a syndicate, as proven by the advertisement in the New York Evening Post in April, 1905, over his signature, advertising for the collection of "all repudiated bonds of every class of each state" to enforce their payment, which advertisement is reprinted as an appendix to this article.

"The foregoing will in general terms be an answer to Mr. J. W. Little, who has a reply in several State papers, as Mr. Little is generally trailing along behind Mr. Butler. Mr. Little makes one mistake that needs correction. Mr. Butler mixed local with State taxes and Mr. Little, in his statement of expenditudes by the State government, includes the refunding bonds issued by the State with his figures for the running expenses of the State, and his figures are of course valueless and misleading."

"I am in receipt of a letter from Dr. Clarence Poe, which explains another figure used by Mr. Little, as follows:

"'I notice that Mr. J. E. Little quotes some figures which appeared in a recent educational edition of the Progressive Farmer, showing the amount of school expenditures in each state per capita of school children. North Carolina being listed as spending $4 per capita. It should be said that these figures were for the year 1910, the estimate being made by the Russell Sage Foundation. Since 1910 our expenditure per school child has very materially increased. You may quote this explanation from me if you wish.'

"It is not quite clear whether Mr. Little is complaining that we are collecting too much or too little taxes for schools, but in any event his figure is far from accurate at the present time.

"Mr. Little says the State Tax Commission labeled the last Legislature 'in personam' to acquire the right to equalize property incorporated in the last Machinery Act. If Mr. Little will examine his Public Laws of former sessions of the Legislature he will find the powers of equalization in the last Machinery Act identical with the provisions in former acts for many years."

NEW CANDIDATE WITH A PLATFORM IN ROBESON

N. J. McRimmon Announces Himself For the Legislature

Would Stop Hiring Out State Convicts and Provide Homes for Delinquent Women—Fayetteville News Notes.

(By Asa Biggs(.

Fayetteville, N. C., Feb. 29.—Another reformer has bobbed up in Robeson county and will, it is declared, make the politics of that county resemble very much what Sherman said war was, in intensity at least. The reformer, not a newcomer into the political life of the county that is credited with saving the State, is Hon. N. J. McRimmon, who today told the Star correspondent that he will be in the race for the Legislature this year and has announced as his platform a number of reforms.

It will be remembered that McRimmon came near landing a seat in the legislative hall last election and was only outstripped by his opponent by a few votes. He declares that he is going to win this time anyhow, which is not any more than all the other candidates have announced themselves as intending to accomplish. But the reforms—

First: McRimmon says that he is going to advocate a bill to prevent convicts being leased out by the State, if he is elected. He would have all the convicts employed on the State roads all the time and says that this will greatly lessen the cost of road construction and guarantee more satisfactory service than is now being given while the convicts are worked on the road part of the time and leased out the balance. The roads should be continually undergoing construction or repair, he says.

Second: The State has not made necessary preparations for fallen women. There is need, declares Mr. McRimmon, of a large number of reformatories constructed and created over the State to give the fallen women a chance to rise. He believes, he says, that such disposition of the State's unfortunate women and outcosts will eventually come.

The aspirants for the legislative job from Robeson are not confined to one man nor two nor three. There are several of them who are grooming up for the race, declares Mr. McRimmon, and the funny things is it seems that they are all to be reformers in one line or another. There's some kind of road law enacted some years ago that some of the Robeson folks are down on. Some one or two of the reformers are taking this for a platform. Other reformers, it is said, are taking other things.

It seems now that Robeson is going to have just such a warm time as was predicted by Thomas Leak Smith, candidate for sheriff, when the Star correspondent interviewed him some time ago.

Dr. S. A. Steel, noted lecturer, spoke here last night at the graded school. Dr. Steel's subject was "Life in the South During the Civil War." It was punctuated with good witty humor and was thoroughly enjoyed by a large audience. Dr. Steel game some amusing experiences he had with the Yankee army during the war.

Fayetteville was in the grip of a snow for several hours last night. However, the flakes melted as fast as they fell.

At the meeting of the depositors of the closed Fourth National Bank here on Thursday of this week, it is highly probable, it was said today, that the receiver will announce the proposition on which the bank may be reorganized, if the depositors desire such action. It is said that the bank has such a large amount of paper on its hands that reorganization is about the only way to save the day. It is understood here that both the depositors and the stockholders are strong for reorganization.

ALL FOR HARMONY AT ANY SACRIFICE

(Continued From Page One.)

any and every personal sacrifice necessary.

National Committeemanship.

C. J. Harris, of Hillsboro, is being strongly mentioned for national committeeman, but is said to personally prefer being merely one of the delegates at large to the national convention. There is also talk of H. F. Seawell, former United States district attorney, for the national committeemanship. The anti-Duncan faction, however, is insisting that he is a Duncan decoy candidate and they are not at all inclined his way.

The convention will have to name the delegate to the national convention and readjust the party machinery to conform to the new State wide, all party primaries to be tried this campaign for the first time and then, if harmony prevails, there will be the suggesting of a ticket that the members of the party will be asked to vote for in the primaries to avoid divisions.

State Chairman Frank Linney is to convene the convention in the city auditorium at noon tomorrow.

Breach Already Widening.

As the night advanced, the conflict between the Duncan and the Butler forces among the delegates to the Republican State convention intensified and assumed an open breach that at this hour seems not the least bit possible to harmonization. The Butler, or Roosevelt-Progressives insist that Duncan must eliminate himself from party leadership as national committeeman, saying that Butler will then also in like manner eliminate himself as a party factor.

In a so-called "harmony meeting" tonight Butler said he was called here by Taft men to reach an agreement for harmony and that his proposals had not been received by Duncan in the spirit in which they were offered. He insisted that Duncan must withdraw in the interest of harmony, else convention work tomorrow would be in vain. He intimated that Duncan had directed the party along "pie counter" lines and in the veiled interest of Democrats. He insisted that real patriotic Republicans must be put in control.

Other speakers in the harmony meeting were C. A. Reynolds, Winston-Salem; John E. Fowler, Sampson county; Harry Skinner and George E. Butler.

Only the Butlers made direct attacks on the attitude of Duncan, the others merely demanding that there must be harmony.

Slate Made Out.

After the Butler harmony meeting there was a semi-official statement at Duncan headquarters through Ike Meekins that the friends of Duncan will put through the convention tomorrow a ticket, including Duncan, Cyrus Thompson, Col. J. M. Morehead and C. J. Harris, for delegates at large to the national convention and the re-election of Duncan for National committeeman.

On the other hand, there were statements from Butler headquarters that they will agree to Colonel Morehead and C. J. Harris as delegates, but will bring in two eastern men in the place of Duncan and Thompson and also put in another National committeeman, most probably Butler, for National committeeman and George Butler for one of the delegates from the east.

Chairman Linney said at midnight, progress was being made in harmonizing conditions and getting a fair distribution of the four delegates at large to the Chicago convention and that the National committeeman must be from Central Carolina. He has a deep cold which will prevent him from presiding, so he will ask the convention to provide some other permanent chairman.

EWING MAKES ANNOUNCEMENT.

How Newspaper Men Are to Secure Seats at St. Louis.

Washington, Feb. 29.—Robert Ewing, of New Orleans, Democratic National committeeman from Louisiana, who will have charge of the press section of the Democratic convention at St. Louis in June, today appointed James D. Preston, superintendent of the Senate press gallery, as sergeant at arms in charge of the press section.

Mr. Ewing also announced that all applications from daily newspapers for seats for their correspondents at the convention should be addressed to R. V. Oulohan, chairman of the standing committee of correspondents, Senate Press Gallery, Washington, and that application for reservations for correspondents of weekly publications should be addressed to Mr. Ewing at New Orelans, by March 31.

Richmond, Va., Feb. 29—Walker Hill, chairman of the St. Louise Democratic committee, has commissioned Franz Vittor, a Richmond sculptor, to make a bust of President Wilson "to be unveiled when Woodrow Wilson is renominated at St. Louis in June." The sculptor will be presented tot the President by Senator Reed, of Missouri.

MARCH 1st

MARCH 2nd

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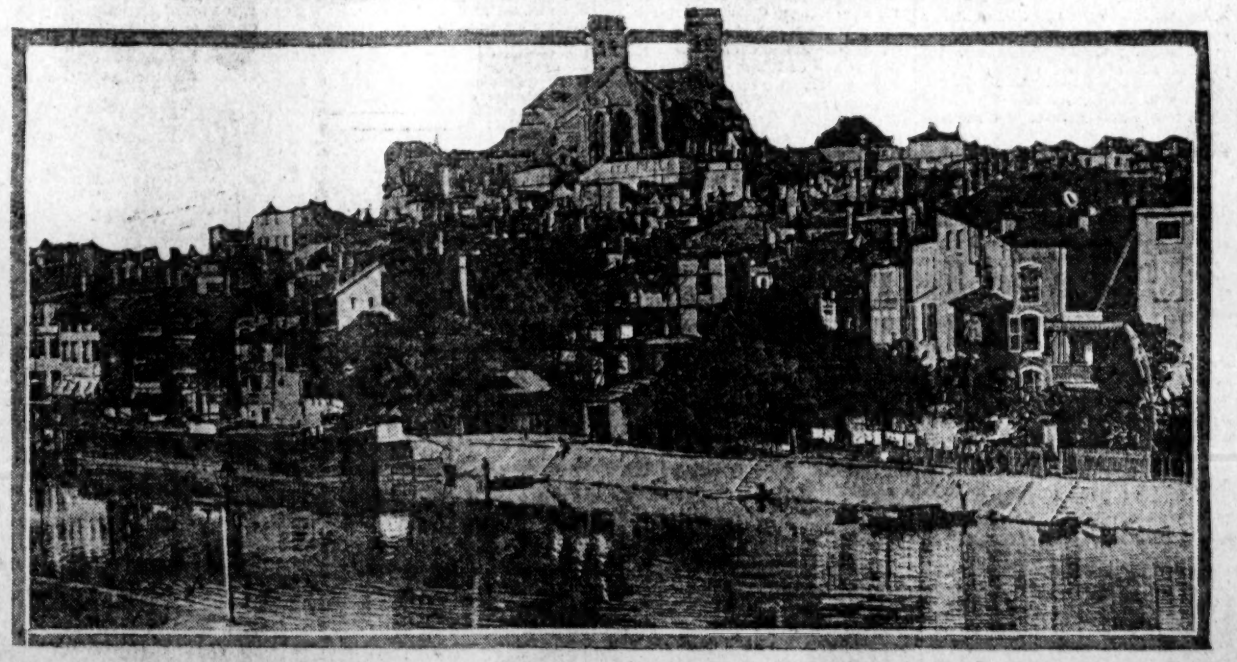

Verdun is the object of the great German drive, which may prove to be a decisive battle of the war. Already thousands of men have been killed on each side and many more thousands taken prisoners. The river in the foreground is the Meuse which has played an important part all through the war.

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TOP O' THE MORNING

There is another mark that is peculiar to true friendship and is unfailing. True friendship never fails to play the part of surgeon when need be.

—GORDON.

A highway everywhere!

Perk up! Spring will soon be here.

You'll write it February 30, if you don't be careful.

When we mobilize to develop Wilmington, why don't we make one drive right after another?

Why plant any more scraggy live-oak trees around Wilmington when better shade trees can be had?

A girl says she made a mistake by picking her husband at the seashore. Maybe her mistake was picking at him at home.

March forward. February has gone, so nothing can be done in February. "The mill will never grind with the waters that have gone."

The Kentuckian whose third wife is a sister of his two former wives probably did not care to take the risk of having more than one mother-in-law.

When a fellow becomes inflated with exalted ideas of his own wisdom he is liable at any time to go "up in the air" without knowing just where he is "at".

They tell us that the fight in the Republican State convention at Raleigh today will be between the forces of E. C. Duncan and those of Marion Butler as to which shall control the party in North Carolina. Both have money, but we don't know which one has the most.

Says the Jacksonville Times-Union: "An optimist is a man who is always kidding himself." Possibly he is a man who whistles to keep up his courage so he can kid all the balance of us. One thing good about an optimist, anyhow, is that he is too courageous to believe that the worst is yet to come.

There is something rather pathetic about the first three weeks of March. It is one of the orphan periods. Nobody is willing to put down these three weeks as winter and yet the almanacs will not allow us to say they are spring weeks. They are abandoned by winter before they are adopted by spring.

Whether Colonel Roosevelt is a candidate for president or not, his friends in every state are making a fight to send Roosevelt men to the Republican convention at Chicago. If the Bull Moosers capture the G. O. P.'s Chicago convention, all it has to do is to invite the Bull Moose convention to the privileges of the floor.

The ship subsidy advocates prefer a $50,000,000 subsidy from the government to President Wilson's government owned shipping plans. If you were operating ships, you also would prefer the $50,000,000 to aid your ship-interests. The men who want something for nothing are always in favor of schemes of their own.

Some men let on as if they are not aspirants for the presidential nomination but at the psychological moment they make a keynote speech and then hold their ear to the ground to note whether there is anything like a rush in the direction of their band wagon. Most of the time there isn't, for some keynote speeches are as sounding brass and tinkling cymbals—liable to be classed as premature punk.

It is now suggested that the real Jean Crones is quietly trailing up the fakes who have been writing to the police in various cities, pretending that they are Crones. He is right behind them and says the guys cannot escape. If you see anybody getting scared, it isn't Jean. However, Jean is going to have to double up to trail up the fakes who were in Wilmington and Fayetteville the same days and at practically the same hour.

SETTLERS NEEDED.

The immense area of idle land in North Carolina, and especially in the eastern portion of the State, shows the pressing need of settlers for their development. We certainly need settlers but when we get to wanting them we can get them. We cannot attract home-seekers in the indefinite way that has been peculiar to us for a quarter of a century, but we can get them by systematic organization and definite plans for settling newcomers in our various counties.

According to recent University correspondence in The Star, the subject considered by the North Carolina Club at the University one night recently was "Our Twenty-Two Million Idle Acres—Why Idle, the Consequences, and the Remedies." The discussion was headed by Mr. Lawton Blanton, of Cleveland county, a synopsis of whose address was published in The Star at the time. The University News Letter gives this brief report of his speech:

"Seventy-one per cent of all the land in North Carolina is a wilderness of idle acres. Twenty-two million acres are in scrub pines, broomsedge, and like growths. Only nine million acres are under the plow and in pasture. Our waste area is more than double our cultivated area. There is enough idle land in the State for 250,000 new farm families, allowing 75 acres to each family and reserving 50,000 acres in each county for wood-lot uses.

"The per cent of waste land ranges from 34.19 per cent in Alamance to 98.4 per cent in Dare. There are more people engaged in farming in North Carolina than in both manufacture and transportation combined. And yet we have enough idle acres to increase our country population 100 per cent. This is the more important when we consider that North Carolina produced in crops alone in 1915 wealth amounting to $218,000,000 or about one and a fourth times as much wealth as the banks of the State have accumulated in 250 years. And mind you our farms created this enormous wealth in a single year.

"North Carolina needs more people—not more tenants, but more home-owning farmers. The population of the State is too sparse. Our rural population in the State at large is only 39 to the square mile. We have nine counties with fewer than 15 to the square mile. In these 12 counties there are nearly 4,000,000 wilderness acres. The idle land in the lower Cape Fear region alone almost exactly equals the entire farm area of Belgium.

"If our farm population were doubled our country wealth would be increased $407,000,000. This increase is reckoned on our present small per capita rural wealth of $322. Their productive power would add $175,000,000 a year to our present total of crops and animal products. It would mean larger support for churches, schools, roads, and public health. Denser population would help to decrease illiteracy, social aloofness, and the raw individualism that now retard organization and co-operative country enterprises."

The News Letter calls this idle land area in North Carolina "Our Kingdom of Silence and Solitude." That fittingly describes the cut-over area and the rich swamp region of Eastern North Carolina, and it is time for us as a constructive people to convert this silence and solitude into an asset. Immense wealth lies in the development of these areas and there is a great opportunity for us to handle this rich resource in such a manner as to populate Eastern North Carolina and bring about a development of the most inconceivable magnitude.

We have the land with which to do it, but the thing lacking is settlers. How shall we get them? Certainly not by pointing out the need of them, but by going to work on definite plans to get them. Each county can handle its own homeseekers scheme by organizing and going to work along systematic and definite lines. We will have to quit speaking off-hand about opportunities, but get hold of people and point them out and be able to name the price and terms that go to make a definite, business-like proposition.

What are we going to do with our idle lands? Do we propose to settle them, or are we holding them for speculation, retarding the development of our State and doing injury to our own fortunes as well? Mr. Blanton discussed a few of the problems in this connection, but we will have to take up some of his analyses later. At present our purpose is to emphasize the need of more people to increase the productivity and wealth of the State. It is for us to consider the obstacles in the way, if there be any, and eliminate them. However, it is time to go to work.

COL. HAMILTON M'MILLAN

Notwithstanding the fact that he was 78 years of age, the announcement of the death of Col. Hamilton McMillan, of Red Springs, came as a shock. He was one of Robeson county's most honored men, and certainly there was no better type of Carolinian anywhere in the State. Colonel McMillan was scholar, sage and exemplar, and he was a powerful force in his community and county in his day of activity. He had represented Robeson county in the General Assembly, having served in the Senate in the most acceptable way to a loyal constituency.

Colonel McMillan was the type of man who would leave his impress upon any community. He exemplified in his lofty character, unimpeachable integrity and love of state and county the highest attributes of a true man and citizen. He was a gifted writer and had contributed to the historic literature of the State, his history of the Croatan Indians and their origin being one of the most romantic and thrilling chapters of a state's history so full of gripping subjects.

Nothing could more adequately speak of the character of man he was than that when his State needed his services in war he was ready to go and stay to the last. He participated in the first battle of the Civil War and when mustered out of service subsequent to the battle of Bethel he re-enlisted and remained a brave and true Confederate soldier till the star of the "Storm Cradled Nation" set at Appomattox. He was a tower of religious strength in his community, and he leaves behind him the record of a life that is inspiring to men and knew and honored him while he lived.

WHAT WILL HISTORY SAY?

Says the Jacksonville Times-Union: "If France and Russia had fought like Great Britain and Italy, the Germans would have won in two weeks."

In a spirit of benevolent neutrality, we may well admit that the world has never witnessed a higher type of courage than has been displayed by the men of every country engaged in this awful war. History will some day refresh our memories with the fact that all along the northern line of the Entente Allies, the British have done some terrible fighting and their frightful losses during the war is grim evidence that British soldiery has stood in the breach against the onslaughts of the world's best trained army, whose bravery and dash, along with that of their foes on all fields, reminds us all too plainly of the magnificent manhood of all Europe. When our mind reverts to Loos and the Dardanelles, and to other fields, we must be conscience of the bravery and sacrifice exemplified by King George's men.

The Italians have had a stupendous task to perform and when history comes clear, they will share in the glory of the European manhood that is being sacrified in what appears to Americans as a useless and criminal war. We do not suppose anyone can begrudge admiration for the unequalled soldiery of the Teutonic allies.

It is all a pitiful spectacle, all the more deplorable because the men of all nations have proven on the bloody battlefields that they are willing to sacrifice themselves by hundreds of thousands in fighting for what they think is right. Can't we sympathize with all of them and the distressed peoples of Europe and hope for an early and honorable peace for them?

According to the very reliable Associated Press, it was "about a score" of congressmen who created the flurry of last week on the subject of warning Americans to keep off armed merchant ships, and yet some papers discuss it as if it had been the whole of Congress. They seem to forget the self-evident fact that if all of Congress had been in line with the score, the resolutions objectionable to President Wilson would have been passed long ago. Those papers that are standing with Wilson ought to be commending the majority in Congress for doing the same thing.

Well, it's been four years since February stayed with us as long as it did this time, but it's gone at last.

TRUSTING OUR PRESIDENT.

To the Editor of The Star:

Will you allow a common everyday farmer space to express a few thoughts as to views world conditions?

After the day's duties have been finished I love to sit by my quiet fireside and read and see what's doing in the world. The European war has lost some of the excitement of the early months of the great struggle. Our American writers express such different views on these great questions I get things badly confused—like the vital question in the recent flurry in Congress over the resolutions to warn Americans to keep off merchant ships armed for defense.

I have always had implicit confidence in our grand President. To my mind he is the Moses whom God has chosen to lead our nation through this world-storm of greed that has enveloped the eastern world and which threatens our nation. I believe it was the poet Burns who wrote, "Man's inhumanity to man makes countless millions mourn." When we think of the millions of widows and orphans already, how our hearts sicken and sink! There is another that my heart goes out in sympathy for—our President. Can we even get a birdseye view of the burdens he has had to bear? I sometimes think if some of our well-meaning statesmen who rock the boat would only stop a few moments and think honestly and deeply they would not act as they do even if for no other reason than for the sake of sympathy.

I have just read Mr. Wilson's speech before the Gridiron Club. After passing through the recent flurry of opposition he has come forth with the same determination that he has shown at other trying periods. The pure gold of the grand mind shines even more brilliantly than ever. What grand thoughts set in simple beauty and language that even a child can understand—"humanity and justice!" As I read these great thoughts I caught myself breathing this silent prayer: "Oh, God, help me to appreciate such lofty, unselfish thoughts—that my fathers died for their justification."

When we get rid of that vile old monster, Selfishness, then and only then are we fit leaders, either for God or humanity. Reader, you who have felt the impress of God's spirit, if, when we enter our closet, we will ask God's blessings upon our great leader, we can be more service to him and the world about than can the self-interested pacifist or the calamity howler who predicts the awful calamity that is about to engulf us.

Our President is not perfect; he is human. But I am persuaded that a man who has been tried by fire as he has and has stood out so boldly in the face of a criticising world and utter such unselfish thoughts must himself be divested of self-interest. Is there yet patriotism in the American breast? Ask the old grandma in your home and see the tears moisten her precious old cheek.

Yours for trusting our President.

E. D. McLEAN.

CURRENT COMMENT

To an American who had any sense a warning to keep off of belligerent vessels would be entirely unnecessary. —Durham Herald.

The Colonel is said to be a very hot-headed man, but the most conspicuous thing he did in the only war he was ever engaged in was to ask to be ordered home—Jacksonville Times-Union.

In North Carolina 633 "moonlight schools" have been conducted in 50 counties and 1,000 teachers have been engaged in instructing 5,540 pupils. So proceeds the work of extirpating illiteracy from North Carolina, and if it shall go on on this scale for only a few years, the adult citizen who makes his mark, instead of writing his name, will be rare in that State. Night schools for adults have been introduced in Laurens and Newberry and other counties of South Carolina. There is room for them in every one of the 44 counties. That 25,000 or 30,000 white men in this State are unable to read and write or are barely able to do so is a continuing menace to the safety of the commonwealth as well as a serious obstacle to its material progress. Moreover, that so large a proportion of the negroes are illiterate is deplorable. It should be the purpose and endeavor of the State to remove the affliction of ignorance from all its people, regardless of color.—Columbia State.

The report printed in The Baltimore Sun some days ago by Mr. Adams, giving his observations on the operations of prohibition in Charlotte, has had the attention of a good many of the newspapers of the country. Those familiar with conditions here are of the opinion that Mr. Adams succeeded in getting a fairly accurate line on the situation in Charlotte, but "a native Baltimorean who has been a resident of Charlotte for two years past," in inclined to express disbelief. Writing to The Sun from Wilmington, he says that he "has never seen the time in Charlotte or any other city in North Carolina where a drink of whiskey or beer could not be obtained if one wanted it." He says he has seen it bought from some of the leading drug stores in Charlotte "for the asking," and he knows a friend who secured a quart from a bell boy in about five minutes from "one of the leading hotels." Evidently this Baltimorean "knows the ropes" better than the people of the town do. The Observer could throw a rock into any crowd on Independence Square with its eyes shut and hit some fellow who would be mighty glad to make the acquaintance of this man the next time he comes to town. He would give a good deal to locate that accommodating bell boy or the thrifty drug stores. The Observer does not believe that the combined stock of whiskey on hand in the drug stores in Charlotte would be sufficient to cure more than one full-blown case of snakebite, and as to the stuff the bell boys handle, it is more likely to be a solution of blue lightning than copper distilled. We would like to have the actual experience of some man in search of a drink of whiskey in Charlotte or any other North Carolina town. That it is easy to get here or anywhere else in the State is very much to be doubted. We believe the traffic has been practically eliminated from all the usual sources, barring alone that of the blind tiger, and the stuff from that source is of the kind no man who values his life wants to be bitten by more than once. —Charlotte Observer.

NEW OWNERS WILL OPERATE FOUR HOPE MILLS FACTORIES

Factory No. 2 to be Started Up at Once, Others Within Ten Months.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Rocky Mount, N. C., Feb. 29.—The Rockfish Mills Company, composed of local moneyed interests, that recently purchased the four idle cotton mills at Hope Mills, are allowing no grass to grow under their feet and, though less than two weeks have elapsed since the deal was consummated, they have already employed Mr. R. J. Campbell as superintendent and it is expected that the largest of the four mills purchased will be put to work within the next two weeks. The transfer of the property was made the past week and by the time these papers had been filed the local capitalists had laid plans to start the mills in operation and they had drawn from the well known Cone Mills, of Greensboro, for a superintendent.

Mr. Campbell is already on the scene and has been advised to get the spindles to moving at once, while in the matter of improvements that may be necessary it is known that no expense will be spared to bring the mills to a point of greatest efficiency. At the first minute possible, the 14,000 spindles of Mill No. 2 will be put into operation, thus affording employment to more than 200 employes.

This movement will revive business considerable in that section and especially in Hope Mills. Following the starting of operations by this mill attention will be turned to mills Nos. 1, 3 and 4 which are equipped at this time for weaving and whichh ave no spindles. These mills will in all probability be equipped for spinning during the spring or early summer months and the entirely holdings of the Rockfish Mills Company are expected to be in active operation within the next eight or ten months. Mr. S. L. Arrington, vice-president of the National Bank of Rocky Mount, is president of the new company; Mr. D. J. Ross is vice-president and Mr. R. L. Huffines is secretary and treasurer.

PEE DEE MERCHANT DEAD.

Mr. John Boggan Falls to Floor and Expires in Store.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Wadesboro, N. C., Feb. 29. — Apparently enjoying the use of all his faculties and in his usual good health, Mr. John Boggan fell and succumbed to an attack of heart failure behind the counter of his store in Pee Dee yesterday Mr. Boggan was the senior member of Boggan Brothers, who conducted a general mercantile store and did extensive farming in and around Pee Dee.

BOTH BRIDE AND GROOM DEAF MUTES, MARRIED AT WHITEVILLE

Miss Ida B. Fowler, of Tabor, Bride of Mr. J. S. McGlee, of Raleigh.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Whiteville, N. C., Feb. 29.—Register of Deeds A. W. Baldwin and Justice of the Peace H. C. Moffitt probably had the most unique experience of their official careers yesterday when application was made to the former by John S. McGlee for license tto marry Ida B. Fowler and tto the latter tto perform the ceremony, which was a most unusual one but only goes further tto show "where there's a will, there is a way." Both bride and groom are deaf and dumb and the marriage yesterday was the culmination of a romance that had its beginning in the State school for mutes at Morganton. Miss Fowler, who gave her age as 23, is a daughter of Manuel Fowler, at Tabor, a well known citizen of that community, and the groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles McGlee, of Raleigh.

Magistrate Moffitt performed the ceremony by reading with the bride and groom the statutory form of marriage, and after they had both made an affirmative nod to him, he wrote on a piece of paper the holy decree and handed it to them: "Whom God hath joined together, let no man put asunder. I now pronounce you man and wife."

For the first time since they both left school, the groom came from Raleigh to see Miss Fowler Saturday last and on Sunday they decided to come here and be married, arriving on the first train from Tabor. After the ceremony they returned to Miss Fowler's home at Tabor where a wedding supper was given for them last night. They will shortly move tto Durham, where the groom will be employed in one of the tobacco factories.

After the couple arrived yesterday, the news that they were deaf and dumb and wanted to be married preceded them to the register's office and when they arrived Register Baldwin asked them, "Did you want marriage license?" and the answer was as epitomatical as Washington's when he crossed the Delaware: "Yes, fix it. Marry."

BURGLARS INFEST MAGNOLIA

Forty-Four Dollars Taken From Widow's Home Yesterday—Others.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Magnolia, N. C., Feb. 29.—Mrs. Annie Baker's house was entered today while she was away from home and $44 taken. Mrs. Baker is a widow with tnree small children. The burglar was evidently an experienced man in that line, for Mrs. Baker was working only a short distance from the house about the time the house was entered, and several persons came and got water from the pump on her back porch. The thief was evidently supplied with skeleton keys, a she entered the house by unlocking the front door.

This makes the third burglary to occur in this place in the past week. Mrs. Susan Middleton's house was entered a few night ago while she and her family were attending church and a small sum of money taken. Mrs. Middleton is a widow also. Mr. Andrew Johnson's house was entered last Thursday while the family was away and several things stolen.

NEW HATS

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Popular Priced, Dependable Styles

Assortments Very Large

The Novelties are Coming as They are Created

New Silk Waists, plain white, large collar, open front, long sleeves; our price only $1.50
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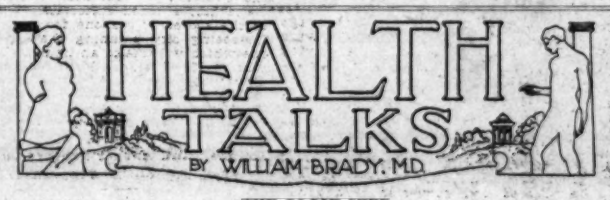

THE GOOSE STEP

Our favorite prescription for auto-intoxication, biliousness, simple anemics, that tired feeling, lack of ambition, incipient obesity and cold hands and feet—all in one person—is two miles of goosy every day, or in other words, walking to and from work.

Individuals engaged in sedentary occupations indoors are particularly subject to the group of symptoms mentioned, and nine times out of ten these semi-invalids don't like to walk and don't know how to walk. They really imagine a mile is a long, long way to walk, especially when the weather is a little too cold, too warm, too wet or too dry.

If your work is just around the corner it is somewhat difficult to cover the miles going and coming. But here is one way to do it without wasting time running around in circles. Try the goose step.

Everybody knows what the goose step is from the pictures. It is a manner of walking with exaggerated extension of the legs. Instead of allowing the leg to swing forward passively and flexed, as in ordinary walking, you throw it forward with the knee stiffened, so that you really step much higher in the air than necessary. About ten goose steps will set your heart a-thumping and make you puff a trifle, it is so hard. Twenty goose steps will make you pretty tired. Thirty will just about be enough for the first offense. Try it some evening when nobody is watching just to see how it goes.

The goose step is an antidote for "high stomachs." It calls upon the rectus muscles of the abdomen—in fact it calls upon a lot of muscles you have hardly known were yours, as you will find the day after your first experience.

Ladies' skirts, just now, fortunately are no bar to this exercise. They may join the parade at any time after dark in the more thickly populated sections.

Men's nether garments, however, have a tendency to impede the free and untrammeled activity of the limbs these days. Therefore we advise any of the more snugly dressed men—if any of that sort ever reads this column—to go gently with the exercise until he is quite sure of himself.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Fattening the Cheeks.

Is there any skin food or preparation which one can rub in for the purpose of fattening hollow cheeks or filling out the neck and bust?

Answer—There is no such agent known. Certain fats may be absorbed when rubbed into the skin, but if so they are not deposited locally any more than elsewhere throughout the body. The only way to fatten cheeks necks or burst is to fatten the whole body.

Tonsils and Glands in Neck

I have large and infected tonsils and haven't the necessary funds to have them removed. But lately I notice sore and swollen glands under and behind the ear. What causes them?

Answer—The infected tonsils—infected tonsils are the most common cause of enlarged glands in the neck, and decayed teeth come next.

Cancer Not Heritable.

My father died at an advanced age of cancer of the pylorus of the stomach. Two daughters are approaching middle life. What are the chances that they will inherit the disease?

Answer—Practically none. There is no good reason to believe cancer is heritable.

Scabies Alias The Itch.

What is scabies? How is it contracted? Is it the same as Dakota itch or Prairie itch?

Answer—Scabies is the itch. It is contracted through personal contact with any one who has it, as by using the same towel, brush, strap hanger in street car, etc. It is an alias for the varieties you mention. Sometimes it is called "uric acid in the blood," "eczema," "Cuban itch," etc.; but the itch mite is there with claws in every case. Grandma will tell you how to cure it with sulphur ointment—not with sulphur internally.

Dr. Brady will answer all signed letters pertaining to Health. If your question is of general interest it will be answered through these columns; if not it will be answered personally if stamped, addressed envelop is enclosed. Dr. Brady will not prescribe for individual cases or make diagnoses. Address Dr. William Brady, care of this newspaper.

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Bad Cough? Feverish? Grippy?

These Ailments Weaken Your System. Your Body Then Needs the Help of Dr. King's New Discovery.

Colds are annoying. They interfere with our duties. In our weakened condition they may end in a spell of sickness or even more serious ailments. Fear, however, should be overcome, for in Dr. King's New Discovery you have an effective remedy. Dr. King's New Discovery contains the ingredients which fight cold germs, which soothe your cough, healing the irritated and inflamed mucous membranes. Just as soon as you start taking Dr. King's New Discovery your recovery is assured. Without assistance your weakened system tries in vain to throw off these cold germs. Your system cries for help and Dr. King's New Discovery is just the remedy needed. Get a bottle to-day. Take at once. You will feel much better to-morrow. All druggists.

The Boy is Father to the Man

Old sayings like this are fraught with a most important meaning. And what

will aid the expectant mother in conserving her health, her strength, her mental repose and the absence of vexatious pains is a subject of vast moment. Among the recognized helps is a splendid remedy known as "Mother's Friend." Applied to the muscles it sinks in deeply to make them firm and pliant, it thus lifts the strain on ligaments that produce pain, it lightens the burden on the nervous system, induces calm, restful nights of health-giving sleep and makes the days sunny and happy. Get a bottle of "Mother's Friend" of any druggist and you will then realize why it has been considered true to its name in our best homes through three generations. It is perfectly harmless but so effective that once used it is recommended to all expectant mothers by those who went through the ordeal with surprising ease. By writing to Bradfield Regulator Co., 712 Lamar Bldg., Atlanta, Ga., you can have a free copy of a wonderful stork book that unfolds these things which all expectant mothers delight to read. Write today.

It is mailed free. Among its features are an explanation of the remedy's action, the first pulsations, prefatory uneasiness, date of expectancy, how to be comfortable, and a great variety of topics all bearing upon the one subject of expectant motherhood. Then there are many letters which describe actual experiences, making of it a guide book of great value. Don't fail to write for this book.

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CAPIAS WAS DEFECTIVE THE RECORDER THINKS

Holds Lee Bordeaux Had the Right to Order Officer Out.

Counsel Have Extended Argument and Defendant is Finally Acquitted of Being Even Technically Guilty.

A decision of more than passing interest and importance was handed down yesterday morning by Recorder E. G. Empie in the case of State against Lee Bordeaux, charged with assault with a deadly weapon upon Officer S. H. Fulford by pointing a rifle at the officer several weeks ago and forcing the latter to leave his house.

In dismissing the case against the defendant, Recorder Empie declared that he was of the opinion that the capias on which Officer Fulford was seeking to arrest Oscar Bordeaux, a brother of the defendant, did not state that any offense had been committed against any law and was therefore void. And the court held that this being so, the officer was in the house without authority and the defendant had not exceeded his rights in the matter in ordering him to leave.

County Solicitor George Peschau requested a special verdict so that the case might be taken to a higher court upon an agreed statement of the facts, but upon objection of W. P. Gafford, Esq., counsel for the defendant, the case was dismissed. The defendant was tried last week, but the case was held open in order that the court might hear the arguments of the attorneys.

From the evidence given in the case, it appeared that Oscar Bordeaux was arrested by the police on a minor charge, and recognized for his appearance before the Recorder. When he failed to appear, a capias drawn by Capt. W. H. Northrop, deputy clerk of Superior Court, was placed in the hands of the police for service and Officer Fulford upon information received by him and upon which he relied, went to Lee Bordeaux's house one night in search of Oscar.

The officer stated that he notified the inmates of the house that he had the capias and gave it to one of them to read, notifying them at the time that he had information that Oscar Bordeaux was in the house. After some conversation, according to the officer, Lee Bordeaux appeared at the head of the stairs and pointing a rifle at him, ordered him out of the house and threatened to shoot if he did not leave using strong language at the time, and telling him to move.

The officer desisted from a search of the place and telephoned police headquarters for instructions and waited for reinforcements which finally arrived, and Lee Bordeaux was arrested and a rifle found. Bordeaux denied that he had pointed a rifle at the officer, or that he had a rifle with him at the time Policeman Fulford was in the house. He stated that he did use strong language and ordered the officer to get out as the officer had been repeatedly told that Oscar Bordeaux was not in the house, and that there was sickness in the house that night. Evidence corroborating both the defendant and the officer was given.

Mr. Gafford, for the defense argued that as the capias merely charged, "failure to appear in court," instead of "failure to appear in court after being recognized," it was void on its face and did not authorize the officer to enter the house, and he should have left when ordered to do so, and failing, the defendant had the right to eject him by force, if necessary. He contended, however, that no weapon had been used, but even if it had been used, the defendant would have been within his rights. He cited several authorities supporting his position.

Solicitor Peschau admitted that the capias was not as perfect as it might be, but that it would be monstrous to hold that an officer, charged with the duty of serving papers, issued by an inferior court, must first secure legal advice that the process issued to him was technically perfect. He pointed out that the Supreme Court decisions did not hold magistrates and similar courts to the degree of skill in drawing papers expected in the higher courts, and that amendments as to form and even substance were permitted. He cited the case of State vs. Gupton in 166 N. C., in which he argued that warrants and other process which in former days would have been declared void on the face of them, were the subject of amendment, and although amended after service, were a protection to the officer who had made the service.

The Solicitor contended that the proper course for the defendant to have pursued would have been to have submitted to the officer's search of the house, and afterwards to have tested the officer's right by a case in court.

Isaiah Donaldson, colored, was the chief sufferer at yesterday morning's session of the Recorder's court being given three months on the roads on the charge of violating the prohibition law. Gordon Johnson swore that he had bought two pints of whiskey from the negro on Saturday. Donaldson claimed that he had procured the liquor from another man, who was a stranger to him, and later delivered it to Mr. Johnson. Mary McLoughlin, colored, who faced the Recorder on the charge of running a disorderly house, stated that she wished to leave the county, and her voluntary proposition was accepted by the court.

MR. S. S. BEERY STRICKEN

Suffered Stroke of Paralysis Monday Night—Wife Also in Hospital.

Mr. S. S. Beery, a well known Wilmington citizen, brother of Capt. John H. and Capt. W. L. Beery, at 8:15 o'clock Monday night, at his home No. 719 South Fifth street, suffered a stroke of apoplexy and has been removed to the James Walker Memorial Hospital. He rested very well during yesterday and last night, but his friends have been given very little encouragement as to his ultimate recovery. He is 65 years of age and in latter years has not been in the best of health.

The critical condition of Mr. Beery is even a greater affliction for the family from the fact that when he was stricken his wife was already in the hospital in a critical condition, the two now receiving treatment there. Friends hope for the early recovery of both.

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The Old Standard Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic is equally valuable as a General Tonic because it contains the well known tonic properties of QUININE and IRON 50c.

STRAWBERRY OUTLOOK GOOD

Cold Wave Came Along at Opportune Times, Says the Truckers' Journal—Prospects Bright.

That the recent cold wave came along at a most opportune time for the strawberry crop, preventing premature budding and otherwise arresting the advance of vegetation until the force of the cold weather period had spent itself in part at least, is the opinion of the Carolina Fruit and Truckers' Journal, which gives a resume of the strawberry and trucking outlook in its last issue.

As a general thing, says the Journal, strawberry vines are looking green and healthy and have been well cared for and properly cultivated right up to date with the result that the growers are feeling optimistic over the prospects for a good business. Good prices and an active demand for everything that can be shipped is expected. Continuing, The Journal says:

"The crate factories are all busy turning out crates and packages of every name and kind for the safeguarding of fruits and vegetables of all kinds and their transportation to the distant markets. The transportation and refrigerator people say 'me too' in their respective spheres and nothing will be left undone along this line for the welfare of the growers everywhere. Berry crates, lettuce hampers, potato barrels and vegetable packages are already being distributed and placed in position in the packing houses and loading sheds on many farms, and everywhere there is to be found an air of renewed activity, hustle and bustle preparatory to the inauguration of the season's movement of strawberries, lettuce, potatoes and all early vegetables.

"With about the same acreage this year as last, the fields are in tip-top shape, the vines healthy, strong and vigorous and the farmers having the situation well in hand, we are looking for a good season of active shipping in strawberries, with every likelihood now that the movement will start in about the middle of April—approximately only about six weeks off. From and after that time, until the season is all over there will be something doing in all these diggings. The lettuce crop will start rolling in the meantime, and while last week's freeze cut short the crop in this territory something like 25 to 30 per cent below normal, it is safely estimated that there will be enough to go round. Buyers in quest of this article and wanting something A-One, cannot therefore do better than centering their activities on this section and pitching their tents in Wilmington. From here they can work the business on all the roads leading out of the city and penetrating the various trucking communities within 160 miles of the city.

"The potato crop bids fair to be short of last year's acreage but the crop will undoubtedly be larger than was contemplated 30 and 60 days ago despite the high prices of seed. As a matter of fact, farmers are buying more seed at the moment than they expected, and hence the outlook for an increased acreage over what was figured on about the first of the year. The acreage will be short nevertheless as well as output. About the usual crop of cukes, beans, peas, cabbage, beets, cauliflower, eggplant, tomatoes, squash, green corn, and other vegetables will be planted and harvested throughout this section.

"With reference to the matter of cantaloupes and watermelons, we are advised that the acreage in both will be increased and especially is this true of the territtory around Maxton, Laurinburg, Fayetteville, Lumber Bridge, Johns Station, and points on the Laurinburg Southern Railroad, likewise in the Mount Olive, Calypso, Faison and Goldsboro territory, together with that of Blackville and Ridge Springs, S. C. At Southern Pines, Pinehurst, Jonesboro, Sanford, Olivia, Spout Springs, Fayetteville and elsewhere in that section the dewberry prospects are good. Peaches in Georgia and the Carolinas are giving promise of a good crop at this time, but have many chances to run between now and shipping time. Many peach trees are already in bloom in all three states."

WINTER PARK HONOR ROLL

Long List of Names of Pupils Who Made Creditable Grades

The honor roll for the Winter Park school for the month of February is a creditable one and shows the pupils are doing splendid work. Those making 90 or more in their grades are as follows:

First grade—First honor, Margaret Bishop, Eleanor Stanford, Leary Lewis, Marcus Hobbs, Leo Montgomery, Margaret Barber, Mary Reaves, H. T. Newland, Joseph Vaught, Mary Davis, Alice Bishop; second honor, Robert Shaw and Kenneth Ellis.

Second grade—First honor, Mary Edith Schulken, Katie Jordan and Vera Reaves; second honor, Virginia Cockrell and Kathleen Shew.

Third grade—First honor, Frances Hale, Jesse Bryan, Elizabeth Barber, Bessie Honham, Margaret Gilbert, Ruth Hall.

Fourth grade—First honor, Iris Bryan, Sarah Maultsby and Evelyn Potts.

Fifth grade—First honor, Lillie Maud Birdsong, Thelma Fisher and Elizabeth Hall.

Sixth grade—First honor, Louis Ellis and Doshia Meadows; second honor, Richard Meadows.

Seventh grade—First honor, Woody Bryan and Daisy Bryan; second honor, Male Sinclair and Mary Bradshaw.

Eighth grade—First honor, Virginia Jackson, Margaret King, Edna Ellis and Tarquita Fulton.

CONCERT AT BRIGADE

Zimmer Sisters Furnish an Evening of Music—Large Audience Present

There was a large audience present last evening at the Boys' Brigade to hear the Zimmer Sisters, who gave a concert. This number was not considered as good as some of the preceding attractions on the lyceum course. Miss Nellie Zimmer played several selections on the Irish harp while Miss Ethel Zimmer sang several solos. Miss Nellie Foster gave a number of reachings. This was the last musical attraction of the lyceum course for the present season.

DEDICATION ON SUNDAY

Handsome Memorial Church at Winter Park to be Formally Opened.

The handsome memorial church which has been erected by Dr. James Sprunt at Winter Park as a memorial to his sister, Mrs. B. F. Hall, will be dedicated on next Sunday, March 5th, at 3:30 o'clock. The dedication sermon will be preached by Rev. Dr. Alexander Sprunt, of Charleston, S. C., a brother of Dr. Sprunt. Rev. Andrew J. Howell, the pastor, will assist in the dedication.

MR. NOLEN TOMORROW NIGHT

Arranging Big Meeting for Landscape Architect—Will Tell Needs of Wilmington.

The visit of Mr. John Nolen, the widely known landscape architect and city planner, of Cambridge, Mass., who will speak Thursday evening at 8 o'clock at the Hemenway school is being anticipated with much interest and pleasure by the several Wilmington organizations that extended him the invitation to come to this city.

Mr. Nolen is a practical business man and devotes only a small portion of his time to delivering lectures on city planning, outdoor art, etc. Different from many other lecturers on similar topics, Mr. Nolen actually puts into practice and devises plans for carrying out the constructive work that he tells about in his lectures. He has gained rare distinction as a landscape architect and the Wilmington people, who are acquainted with his work, believe that Mr. Nolen's visit and lecture is an exceptional opportunity for Wilmington. His lecture will be illustrated with stereopticon views and this alone will be an added feature of interest. The public is extended a most cordial invitation to attend.

Mr. Nolen delivered a lecture in Charlotte on February 25th, at which time he outlined what he deemed was that city's present needs. The plan was most enthusiastically received and the different organizations in Charlotte have determined upon an adequate city survey based on the information given them by Mr. Nolen. Mr. Nolen is the author of several very valuable publications that take high rank in city planning work. "The Park and Recreation Facilities in the United States", and "What is Needed in American City Planning," are two of these books.

While the general invitation is extended the public, it is expected that delegations representing the different city and municipal organizations of Wilmington will be in attendance. Mr. John J. Blair, chairman of the Civic Improvement Committee, of the Chamber of Commerce, and also of the City Park and Tree Commission, is extending an invitation to the Winter Park Civic League. The teachers of the city schools have been invited to attend in a body and a large delegation from the Y. M. C. A. is expected. The Chamber of Commerce will extend a special invitation to its members. Others co-operating in an effort to have a large crowd to hear this important lecture are the Rotary Club, Board of Education, North Carolina Sorosis, Housewives' League, Real Estate Exchange, and Hugh MacRae & Co., Inc.

The Herald, of New Britain, Conn., in an editorial comment on Mr. Nolen's lecture in that city had the following to say: "There was enough meat in the address delivered by John Nolen before the Commonwealth Club last evening to fill half a dozen newspaper columns. There were enough phases to the question so presented by him to make half a dozen editorials. But out of the scores of reasons for early and far-seeing city planning there is just one which will make an immediate appeal to Mr. Business Man. City planning pays."

FATHERS AND SONS TO MEET AT THE Y. M. C. A.

For the Third Annual Banquet on Friday Night—The Programme.

One hundred Wilmington fathers with their sons are expected to meet at the Young Men's Christian Association Friday evening at 7 o'clock for the third annual Father and Son banquet which will be given under the auspices of the boys' division of the association. The purpose of the gathering is to bring fathers and their sons into a more appreciative and helpful relationship with each other.

There will be a special musical programme which will be announced later. Mr. John J. Blair, superintendent of city schools, will be toastmaster. The following general programme has been arranged:

Invocation by Rev. Dr. Wm. H. Milton.

Address of welcome by Mr. D. H. Howes, Jr.

"Our Boys' Division" by Everett McKeithan.

"The Father and His Son," by Mr. Sam Mathews.

"Dad," by William Milton.

Song by four sisters and daughters.

"Getting Acquainted," by Mr. Odis B. Hinnant.

"Chums" by Robert Ruark, Esq.

Song by four mothers and wives.

"Father and Son" by Rev. Dr. J. M. Wells.

ERROR IN ANNOUNCEMENT

Usual Mid-Week Prayer Services in Wilmington Churches Tonight.

Rev. A. D. McClure, pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, wishes to correct the erroneous impression prevailing in some quarters that Rev. Stuart L. Roussel, who is in this country in the interest of the French Huguenots, would speak at Grace Methodist church tonight. However, he does not speak until next Wednesday night and the usual mid-week prayer services will be held tonight. Dr. McClure yesterday made the following statement:

"An error due to an announcement made in some churches that Rev. Mr. Roussel and his daughter, Miss Blanche, would be in Wilmington this week was made which we call attention to at this time. Rev. Stuart L. Roussel and his daughter will be in Wilmington March 7 and 8, and there will be a joint meeting in Grace church to hear them Wednesday March 8th at 8 p. m. Mrs. Bridgers has given the use of her home on South Third street to hold a meeting on Tuesday evening. But the plans have not been perfected for that. The pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church wishes his people to know that the Wednesday evening service in that church will be held this week as usual and that the church will take part in the meeting in Grace church next week."

MILLINER AT BELK-WILLIAMS.

Miss Blanche Burch Has Arrived and Will Head Department at Store.

Miss Blanche Burch, of Danville, Va., a thoroughly experienced milliner, who has been going out of Baltimore and New York for about 12 seasons, has arrived and is now at the head of the millinery department at Belk-Williams Company's store.

Mr. Williams, of the store, feels very fortunate in securing for the Wilmington establishment a lady of the experience and accomplishments of Miss Burch and is sure that she will prove very popular with the ladies of Wilmington and this section of the State. She has already visited this season the fashion centers of the North and by her experience and knowledge of fads and fancies, she will be in position to advise very competently with those who want to know the latest about styles, etc.

BIG BAZAAR OPENS TONIGHT

Woolvin Hall Presents Patriotic Appearance With Numerous Flags. Attractive Booths.

Numerous flags attractively arranged on the second floor of the Woolvin building on Princess street for the big bazaar which opens tonight at 8 o'clock are a striking feature of the decorations of the many booths which have been placed in the hall for the different features. The scene is suggestive of patriotism and is in keeping with the object of the event which is to provide means for relieving war sufferers in Europe.

The bazaar is given under the auspices of the United Society of St. George and St. Andrew and will continue through Friday night. It will also be open tomorrow afternoon and also on Friday afternoon. Many ladies were busy yesterday decorating the booths. In one corner is the cafe, where good things to eat will be served. There is the candy booth, another for flowers, while at still another cake will be sold. There will be the fortune teller and numerous other novel features.

One of the most attractive features will be the "Country Store". Needle and fancy work will also be sold at other booths. Each night there will be an enjoyable programme. A mandolin club will furnish inspiring music. There will be no charge for admission and the public is invited to attend.

Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure, pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, will make an address at the opening of the bazaar tonight.

EVENING SCHOOLS FOR ADULTS TO START SOON.

Members of Sorosis Committees in Charge Are Announced.

Announcement was made yesterday that the moonlight schools which will be conducted in Wilmington under the auspices of North Carolina Sorosis and the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, will begin March 16th. In all, twelve lessons will be given. The principals for the various schools have already been appointed, and a number of members of Sorosis, and business and professional men of the city have volunteered to give instruction in the moonlight schools.

The sessions of the schools will be held in the public schools. Pupils of all ages from 18 to 86 may register for the course, and those in charge of the work hope that many adults who wish to improve their knowledge of the English language will take advantage of this opportunity.

The committees for Sorosis in charge of the movement are as follows: Social Service, Mrs. E. M. Gregg, chairman, Mesdames Adair McKoy, C. T. Harper, John Thames, A. J. Howell, Misses Anna Troutt and Delia Nesbitt Cline; Educational, Mesdames M. J. Dauer, J. M Solky, J. B. Cranmer, W. M. Creasy, M. G. Saunders, M. C. Hammond and Miss Elise Kidder.

SINKING FUND ON HAND.

Councilman W. D. McCaig Prepares Statement Showing Disposition.

A statement of the sinking fund of the city of Wilmington, prepared by Councilman W. D. McCaig, in charge of the department of accounts and finance, shows that there is a total of $79,625.13 in the sinking fund for the retimerent of bonds maturing next July. The amount of the bonds to be retired at that time is about $85,000 and the present indications are that by that time there will be sufficient money in the city treasury to retire the bonds without inconvenience.

The disposition of the sinking fund, now in hand, is as follows: Invested in city bonds, $48,500; Certificates of deposits amounting to $31,125.13 in the following banks: Murchison, $15,509.74; Home Savings, $850.43; Citizens', $1,500; Atlantic Trust & Banking Co., $4,086.72; Wilmington Savings, $4,474.41; People's Savings, $1,953.83; American National, $2,750.

—Suit was started in Superior Court yesterday by A. C. Dawson against the Southern Mutual & Real Estate Co. No complaint was filed. The plaintiff is represented by E. T. Burton, Esq.

Morehead City, N. C., Feb. 22nd, 1916.
Rt. Rev. T. C. Darst, D. D.
Wilmington, N. C.
Rt. Rev. and Dear Bishop:—

In the name of God. Amen. Know ye by these presents that I, William George Avant, Priest of the most High God in the Ministry of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in the Diocese of East Carolina, do now herein, and hereby, renounce the Ministry of the aforesaid church. And, since it is provided by Canon 33, page 102 of the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention, that such renunciation be made to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese; therefore, I, William George Avant, desire that you, Bishop of the Diocese of East Carolina, give the necessary sentence deposing me from the Ministry of the aforesaid church according to the law of the same.

Further: As it is required, in the above named Canon to assign causes for abandoning said Ministry: I state, that it is voluntary, and of my own free will that I so declare, and because I am God's man, refusing to bear any longer the Ecclesiastical Shackles. I find, in order to do God's work, I should be free, as I must answer to Him for my work, and not to man. "I shall continue to preach the word as the Holy Ghost gives me utterance."

Yours truly,
W. GEO. AVANT.

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Many have taken this remedy and tell today of the benefits they received. Its effects come quickly—the first dose convinces. Here is what two Carolina folks have written:

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Try This! Mix Sage Tea and Sulphur and brush it through your hair, taking one strand at a time

When you darken your hair with Sage Tea and Sulphur, no one can tell, because it's done so naturally, so evenly. Preparing this mixture, though, at home is mussy and troublesome. For 50 cents you can buy at any drug store the ready-to-use tonic called "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound." You just dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time. By morning all gray hair disappears, and, after another application or two, your hair becomes beautifully darkened, glossy and luxuriant. You will also discover dandruff is gone and hair has stopped falling.

Gray, faded hair, though no disgrace, is a sign of old age, and as we all desire a youthful and attractive appearance, get busy at once with Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur and look years younger.

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Advance Showing Of New Spring Millinery

Charming Models That Reflect The New Fashion Tendencies.

"What shall my new Hat be like?" To be fashionable, it may be one of the hundreds of stunning models evolved for Spring wear. A safe purchase will be some variation of the close-fitting, high-crowned type, or one of the revivals of the wide, flat sailor, or the small, rather flat Eugenie sailor, or a poke or turban. Really, there is no limit to one's choice of styles. And the trimmings are equally varied and beautiful, the most favored being ribbons, flowers, berries, jet and pearl ornaments, with a sprinkling of feathers.

In this advance showing are presented Hats in these shapes and trimmings developed in materials without number, including a broad range of highly glazed, or lizere straws, fancy straws, basket weave effects in a broad diversity of the fashionable new colorings.

Let us show you them. The very reasonable prices will astonish you.

Newest Shapes—	Miss Burch in Charge Today.	Beautifully Tailored Mourning Hats at
In braids, Milans, Hemps, Shoe Polish Braids, Etc. Almost every conceivable shape seems to have a share in the showing this season, and all are found here at prices ranging from **69¢** to **$7.50.**	Our head trimmer, Miss Burch, arrived yesterday from the North, and is now in charge of our Millinery Department. She is thoroughly equipped for her work, and will be glad to show you "Smart" individual creations that are so much wanted just now.	$ 50 **$2.95 and $3.50.** These Hats are made of Silks, Crepes and Combinations, in the very newest shapes; are modest yet stylish, and are tailored equal to the very best hand-made Hats. Prices **$2.50, $2.95 and $3.50.**

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SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Misses Minnie Humes and Elmer Cox, of Bolton, were guests yesterday at the Orton.

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Mrs. I. K. Pinner has returned from Keith, where she has been visiting friends for the past several days.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Rountree, of Raleigh, were visitors in the city yesterday, guests at the Hotel Wilmington.

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A domino costume dance will be given tonight at the Knights of Columbus hall by the ladies of St. Mary's Circle from 9 to 11 o'clock.

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Mrs. C. L. Worter, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Smallbones, Sr., has returned to her home in Rocky Mount.

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The Ladies' Aid Society of the Trinity Methodist church will hold its meeting this afternoon at 4 o'clock at the residence of Mrs. Thigpen, Ninth and Chestnut streets.

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There will be a social meeting of the North Carolina Society of Colonial Dames Thursday evening at 8 o'clock at the Colonial Dames' assembly rooms. A large attendance is desired.

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Mrs. J. B. Robeson and son, Stuart, have returned to their home in Sanford, after spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Robbins, Jr., No. 218 North Second street.

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The regular business meeting of Ladies' Concordia Society, followed by a social hour will be held this afternoon at 4 o'clock at the club room of Harmony Circle.

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Miss Emma Woodward has been appointed day assistant librarian at the Wilmington Public Library to succeed Miss Lauriston Hardin, who has resigned. The change is effective today.

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The regular monthly meeting of the Hospital Circle of the King's Daughters will be held tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock at the residence of Mrs. William Latimer, No. 126 South Third street.

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Monday's Lumberton Robesonian: "Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Wallace, of Wilmington spent the week-end in town visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Brown, Elm street. Mrs. Wallace is a sister of Mrs. Brown."

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There will be a "white sale" conducted tomorrow under the auspices of the Epworth League of Fifth Avenue Methodist church, at No. 22 North Second street. Oysters, sandwiches and hot coffee will also be served.

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Monday's Lumberton Robesonian: "Mrs. J. J. Moore, who came a week ago to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Barker, on account of the serious illness of her brother, Mr. Johnnie Barker, returned last night with her husband, who spent yesterday here, to their home at Wilmington. Mr. Johnnie Barker's condition is thought to be considerbly improved."

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The Ladies' Aid Society of the Winter Park Methodist church entertained yesterday at the home of Mrs. Lewis Williams, in honor of Mrs. W. F. King, who will soon leave for Virginia, where she will make her home in the future. Delightful refreshments were served. Mrs. Williams was assisted in serving by Mrs. Herbert Meredith and Mrs. B. W. McEwen.

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Polkton, N. C., Feb. 29.—The marriage this morning of Miss Fannie George Crump to Mr. Isaac Williams Martin, was a surprise to many friends. The parties are very popular and well known. Hosts of friends tender heartiest congratulations. The marriage was a very quiet home affair, the ceremony being performed by Rev. W. B. Davis, Methodist pastor. The couple left on the morning train for Washington. Miss Crump is one of Anson's most popular and fairest young ladies, of one of the oldest and best known families of the State, talented and accomplished. Mr. Martin is well known as an industrious and progressive farmer, a son of Hon. H. C. Martin.

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THE DICKENS' RECITAL AT ACADEMY MONDAY NIGHT

Mr. Frank Speaight's appearance at the Academy of Music on Monday, March 6th, under the auspices of the Ministering Circle of the King's Daughters promises an evening of rare entertainment, full of fun and laughter.

"Pickwick Papers" is Mr. Speaight's favorite subject for an initial performance, and so carefully has he dramatized this masterpiece that one need not know the book to experience a delightful and happy evening in his company.

The tickets are 50c each and may be obtained from any member of the Ministering Circle, or at the stores of Honnet and Yates.

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LEAP YEAR BIRTHDAY PARTY ENJOYABLE AFFAIR

Many little friends gathered yesterday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Liles, No. 411 North Second street, to attend a delightful leap year party given in honor of the fourth birthday of their little son, Master William Liles. The expectations of the little ones for a pleasant time were fully realized, nearly three hours being spent in the enjoyment of various games. The color scheme of pink and white was effectively carried out, and a large birthday cake amid the soft glow of candles formed a very pretty feature.

Master William was the recipient of many nice tokens of esteem from his playmates. Late in the afternoon, dainty refreshments were served, to which the little ones did full justice, and at the conclusion of the party, happily made their adieus to their bright little host.

To Discard Aged or Weather-Soiled Skin

To free your skin of blotches, roughness, muddiness, over-redness, freckles or any cutaneous difficulty, the best thing to do is to free yourself of the skin itself. This is easily accomplished by the use of ordinary mercolized wax. Use at night as you use cold cream, washing it off next morning. Immediately the offending surface skin begins to come off in fine powder-like particles. Gradually the entire cuticle is absorbed in this way, causing no pain or inconvenience. Nor does the face exhibit any evidence of this treatment. The second layer of skin now in view presents a sparkling beauty and youthful robustness obtainable in no other way we have ever heard of. The mercolized wax can of course be found in any drugstore and you won't need more than an ounce of it.

To free yourself of wrinkles or crowsfeet, there's nothing better than the saxolite lotion. You need only dissolve an ounce of powdered saxolite in a half pint of witch hazel and bathe your face in the solution. The effect is quite remarkable, the lines being less in evidence even after the first application.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. W. C. Vin, of Wadesboro, was registered yesterday at the Orton.

—Mr. John F. McNair, of Laurinburg, was registered at the Orton yesterday.

—Dr. Jas. N. Northington of Boardman, was a guest yesterday at the Orton.

—Col. W. B. Fort, of Pikeville, was here yesterday and last night, a guest at The Orton.

—Mr. J. E. Maddox, of Greensboro, was registered at the Hotel Wilmington yesterday.

—Mr. J. R. Allsbrook, of Allsbrook, was a visitor in the city yesterday, a guest at the Orton.

—Mr. G. S. Dewey, of Goldsboro, was a business visitor in the city yesterday, a guest at the Orton.

—Mr. D. J. Elliott, of Salisbury, was among the guests at the Hotel Wilmington yesterday.

—Mr. A. E. Royal, of Salemburg, spent yesterday in the city, a guest at the Hotel Wilmington.

—Mr. H. A. Jarman, of Wallace, was a business visitor in the city yesterday, a guest at the Orton.

—Mr. D. C. Pollock, of High Point, was a business visitor in the city yesterday, a guest at the Orton.

—Mr. Hugh Pinnix, of Greensboro, was a business visitor in the city yesterday, a guest at the Orton.

—Messrs. A. J. McKinnon, Sr., and A. J. McKinnon, Jr., of Maxton, were guests yesterday at the Orton.

—Mr. B. F. Kearnes, of High Point, was a visitor in the city yesterday, a guest at the Hotel Wilmington.

—Mr. S. E. Memory, of Whiteville, is in the city on business. He was a guest at the Hotel Wilmington.

—Mr. J. R. Maxwell, secretary of the Patten Package Co., of Calypso, was in the city on business yesterday.

—Mr. J. H. Newberry, of Warsaw, was among the business visitors in the city yesterday, a guest at the Orton.

—Mr. P. K. Teachey, of Rose Hill, was a business visitor in the city yesterday, a guest at the Hotel Wilmington.

—Messrs. E. A. Matthews, E. R. Peterson and J. F. Bullard, of Atkinson, were visitors in the city yesterday, guests at the Orton.

—Messrs. J. R. Garrison and R. R. Gibbs, of Fayetteville, were business visitors in the city yesterday, guests at the Hotel Wilmington.

—Mr. E. C. Holt, president of the Delgado Cotton Mills, left last evening for New York, going via Fayetteville where he will spend a few hours on business.

—C. Ed Taylor, Esq., of Southport, and Mr. Lindsey Walker, of Town Creek, were in the city yesterday en route to Raleigh to attend the Republican State convention which will be held today in that city.

—Messrs. E. H. Freeman and T. E. Wallace left last night for Raleigh to attend the Republican State convention. They will represent New Hanover county as delegates. Mr. J. W. Brooks was prevented from attending on account of illness.

ADVANCE AGENT COMING.

To Make Arrangements for Chapman-Alexander Meetings in Wilmington.

Rev. C. L. Ewarts, advance agent for the Chapman-Alexander meetings, is expected to arrive in Wilmington this week to make the preliminary arrangements for the series of evangelistic services which will be held in Wilmington beginning April 9th. All of the committees have been appointed and as soon as Mr. Ewarts arrives immediate steps will be taken to get everything in line for the big union meeting.

A meeting of the executive committee was held at the Y. M. C. A. yesterday at noon. The building committee reported that the lumber was already on the ground for the tabernacle which will be built on Castle street between Third and Fourth and that work had already been started on the structure.

A letter from Dr. Chapman was read giving the names of those who will be here to conduct the meeting. The party will include Dr. and Mrs. Chapman, Mr. Charles Alexander, who will have charge of the music, and Mrs. Alexander; Mr. Brown, soloist; Mr. Barraclough, accompanist; Mr. L. M. Potts, secretary to Dr. Chapman; Mr. W. W. Rock, secretary to Mr. Alexander.

Dr. Chapman and his party are now conducting meetings in Washington, Pa. They will arrive in Wilmington shortly before the union meeting begins in April to continue for five weeks.

TO SAVE WRIGHTSBORO BABIES

Dr. Graham to Lecture to Mothers at School Friday Afternoon.

With a view to affording the community an opportunity to review its responsibilities and its activities on behalf of the babies, the Mothers' Club of the Wrightsboro school has arranged with a physician and a trained nurse to be present at a meeting which will be held Friday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the school, and it is expected that mothers in large numbers will bring their babies, so that they may be given detailed advice and counsel concerning their ailments and the like.

Dr. B. R. Graham, of Wilmington, has kindly consented to be present at the meeting and give a general lecture on the proper methods of feeding and care of the babies. It is thought that the mothers in this way will have an excellent opportunity to learn many things which will prevent their infants from becoming a victim of the various complaints which impair the health and constitution of small children.

MRS. E. B. CAPPS DEAD

On Masonboro Road After Short Illness—Funeral Today

Mrs. Columbia P. Capps, 65 years old, passed away Monday evening at 10 o'clock at her home on the Masonboro Sound road about six miles from Wilmington, after a short illness. The funeral will be conducted from her late home this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, and interment will be in the family burying ground on Masonboro Sound.

Mrs. Capps is survived by her husband, Mr. E. B. Capps, two sons, Messrs. G. W., and J. W. Capps, of this city; and one daughter, Mrs. J. A. Hines.

LOCAL DOTS.

—Suit for divorce was instituted in Superior Court yesterday by Mrs. Mary Gurganus from her husband, Mr. Floyd Gurganus. The plaintiff is represented by Woodus Kellum, Esq.

—The fire department was called yesterday morning at 5:55 o'clock to the home of Mr. G. T. Matthews, No. 920 North Seventh street, on account of a small blaze caused by heat from the fire place. The damage was only slight. The house is owned by Mr. C. R. Pape.

—A deed was filed yesterday in the office of the Register of Deeds by which the Jocelyn Company transfers to Mr. Clarence D. Maffitt the lot and residence located on the north side of Chestnut street, 134 feet west of Sixth, 33x66 feet in size. The lot was sold under foreclosure proceedings, the consideration being $4,000.

—Teddie McDonald, a white woman, who is alleged to have violated the State law prohibiting a woman from masquerading as a man or vice versa, was arrested on a warrant last night by Plainclothesmen Leon George and R. W. Jacobs and locked up at the police station to await a hearing before the Recorder.

SECOND RECITAL GIVEN BY MISS JANE TUTTLE.

An Evening of Splendid Music at Hemenway School Auditorium.

The second recital given last evening at the Hemenway school auditorium by Miss Jane Tuttle and assisting artists was thoroughly enjoyed by a small but appreciative audience. Each number was heartily applauded but the artists did not respond to encores. Miss Tuttle sang a number of selections but was probably at her best in "The Cry of Rachel," which was substituted for one of the numbers on the regular programme. She has fine expression and possesses real artistic ability.

Miss Ruth Klauber, accompanist and soloist, was particularly good in her selections last night and the audience gave her a most cordial reception. She is a gifted pianist.

Miss Genevieve Fodrea played a number of violin numbers. The selection most enjoyed by the audience was "The Zephyr" by Hubay. She has real artistic talent and puts much expression into her music.

The programme for the evening was as follows:

Second Scherzo ..... Chopin
Ruth Klauber
The Nightingale's Song ..... Nevin
Romance ..... Debussy
Love's Torment ..... Barthelemy-Caruso
Jane Tuttle.
Faust Fantasia ..... Wieniawski
Genevieve Fodrea
In Moonlight ..... Elgar
Sandman's Lullaby ..... Humperdinck
"The Cry of Rachel" ..... Sauer
Aria ..... Selected
Jane Tuttle.
Presto Schezando ..... Von Wilm
Romance ..... Grunfeld
Etude Fantastique ..... Friml
Ruth Klauber.
The Zephyr ..... Hubay
Romance ..... Rubinstein-Wieniawski
Bohemian Dance ..... Randegger
Genevieve Fodrea
Indian Summer ..... Cadman
Kathleen Mavourneen ..... Crouch
Love is the Wind ..... Macfayden
Spring ..... Weil
Jane Tuttle.

WEATHER NOT SO BAD, BUT WORSE IS COMING

Local Observer Discusses It, But is Non-Committal.

"If March comes in like a lion, it will go out like a lamb." With the above adage in mind, a representative of The Star betook himself to the top floor of the postoffice building to ask Mr. George W. Feiger, local observer for the United States Weather Bureau, what sort of weather he intended to hand out for Wilmington during the coming month, and more particularly in the next 24 hours.

Referring to the above quotation, Mr. Feiger very sapiently remarked that he didn't take much stock in adages, declaring that sometimes they held good, but frequently they did not. As to forecasting what the weather was to be for the whole of March, he intimated that it is much safer to predict such things for only a day or so ahead, and limited himself to stating that the weather would be fair and cold in Wilmington today, with the mercury not much above freezing in the early hours of the day.

As to what the future has in store in the way of weather, he called attention to the fact that there was quite a bit of sunshine February 2, Groundhog Day, and he was confident that that animal had every opportunity to see his shadow. This being the case, those who believe in the old adage that in such an event there is to be six more weeks of winter, will probably hold that not much spring-like weather is to be expected before the middle of the month just beginning.

STARTS FROM IRON

Blaze in Tailor Shop Extinguished by Firemen Last Night

Members of the fire department were called out last night shortly after 9 o'clock to extinguish a blaze in a tailor shope conducted by W. H. McNeil, colored, at No. 11 North Second street, reported to have been caused by the leaving on a burning electric iron on a table with only an ordinary horseshoe between the iron and the wood.

The iron set fire to the wood and the clothing which were left on the table. As the alarm was turned in from box No. 22, shortly after the blaze got under way, little damage was done and it was extinguished by the use of a chemical extinguisher. The building in which the shop is located is a one-story brick affair owned by the McIlhenny estate.

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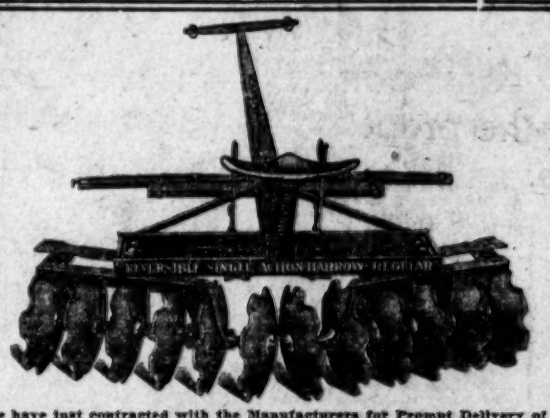

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CAR BARNS OF THE TIDEWATER ARE BURNED

Entailing Loss Approximating $50,000 This Morning

Blaze Discovered by Night Watchman Soon After it Started—Firemen Quickly on Scene—Other Property Threatened.

The car barns, machine shops, two city cars, a suburban car, and other valuable equipment of the Tidewater Power Company, at Ninth and Orange streets, were destroyed by fire, which broke out probably in the paint shop of the building, this morning at 1:05 o'clock, completely destroying the plant and for a time endangering practically all of the rolling stock of the company, the loss being estimated roughly at upwards of $50,000, partially covered by insurance.

The fire was discovered by Mr. A. C. Thorp, night foreman in the car barns, who turned in the alarm from Ninth and Orange streets, and Fire Chief Schnibben and his firemen within a few minutes had three streams of water playing on the blaze, which was a spectacular one. Fortunately, there was no wind blowing, and the fire was easily confined to the building in which it had started, this being, however, almost a complete loss By 2:30 o'clock the fire had been extinguished.

The building burned was a large one-story frame structure which is used for the repairing of the cars of the city and suburban cars of the Tidewater. Outside on the yards were 17 suburban and 14 city cars which were threatened by the flames and several of them were damaged. When the fire was discovered, Mr. Thorp and two others were engaged in placing the cars on the yards, which had just been brought in from service on the city lines.

The building burned was worth approximately $10,000, while there were two city cars and one beach car in the structure for repairs, these being burned. The city cars were worth approximately $6,000, while the beach car was valued at $5,500. The machinery was a total loss and it is estimated that it will take $12,000 to replace it. There were also 12 railway motors burned, valued at $500 each, while the spare trucks and other miscellaneous material burned probably amounted to $3,000 or more. Cars standing on the siding on the south side of the building were run down to the rear and several of these were smashed up badly. This loss will probably amount to $8,000 or $10,000.

Fire hydrants are located at Ninth and Ann on the south side of the burned building and also at Ninth and Orange on the north side. Streams of water were secured from both of these while one of the fire engines was brought from the central station and placed at the fire hydrant at Ninth and Dock streets, one block away, from which a stream with reinforced pressure from the fire engine was also secured.

While the firemen were busy playing water on the burning building, the hose wagon was brought up and used to draw a number of the city cars on the siding on the north side of the building away from the burning building.

The building burned rapidly, owing to the inflammable nature of the structure, and made quite a spectacular display. While many were attracted to the scene, the usual large crowd for a Wilmington fire was absent. Employes of the Tidewater Power Company were called from their homes while a large number of the conductors and motormen who had just returned home after bringing in late cars came tot the car barns and rendered valiant service in pulling cars out of the way of the burning structure.

Mr. A. B. Skelding, general manager, and Mr. Raymond Hunt, assistant general manager, were soon on the scene, and directed the placing of cars so as to get them out of the way of the fire.

While there are a large number of wires around the building, used for bringing the cars, but one or two of these fell to the ground. Although the firemen rushed boldly in to put water on the fire, there was no one hurt, so far as known this morning.

By 2:30 o'clock, the flames were practically extinct although there was a mass of smouldering timbers and lighted machines. The outside of the car barns were left practically intact, though so badly burned were the walls that the building will have to be replaced with a new edifice.

The cars in the building were being repainted and remodeled for service and the fire had gained such headway when discovered that it was impossible to remove them. A suburban car in the rear of the building was also partially burned.

The cause of the fire this morning was undetermined but, so far as could be learned started in the paint shop. Whether or not it was spontaneous combustion or from other causes could not be stated. Mr. Thorp said that when he saw the blaze upon returning to the shop at 1 o'clock from the yards, it was burning so rapidly that he didn't have time to investigate.

$500 DAMAGES GIVEN CARR

Recorder B. G. Empie Decided Case Yesterday Morning.

Recorder B. G. Empie rendered his decision yesterday morning in the case of Jim Carr, colored, against the Crescent Cigar Company, of which Mr. M. D Bright was manager, awarding the plaintiff the full amount sued for, $500. Woodus Kellum, Esq., attorney for Carr, was notified to draw up a judgment for the sum named.

The evidence in this case was heard about a week ago in the Recorder's Court, but it was held open until yesterday in order that Mr. Empie might consider certain points of law raised by counsel in their argument of the case before him. The plaintiff in the above case was injured about the head by a piece of iron from a tank which exploded in the soda water establishment and cigar store conducted by the defendant.

Winston-Salem, Feb. 29.—The Davie county courthouse at Mocksville was destroyed by fire last night. The origin of the fire is not known. It was built five years ago and cost over $30,000. A one'week's term of Superior Court opened there yesterday morning.

GOVERNOR CRAIG GONE TO PHILADELPHIA NOW

Private Secretary J. P. Kerr is Very Much Improved

Hearing in Warren Case to be Given March 20.—Randolph to Have County Commencement—Charter Issued.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 29.—Col. J. P. Kerr, private secretary to Governor Craig, is very much improved, following the severe attack of acute indigestion he sustained some days ago. Attending physicians say that while his heart was affected at the time there is no permanent trouble about his heart or anything like Agina pectoris which was stated to be his trouble in some newspaper reports.

Governor Craig left last night for Philadelphia on a personal mission and will be out of the executive offices until the last of the week.

Former Judge E. B. Jones, of Winston-Salem, counsel for Ida Ball Warren and S. P. Christy, under sentence to die March 31 for the murder of G. J. Warren, husband of the woman, was here today to arrange with Governor Craig for a date on which the Governor will hear the petition for commutation of the sentences of the condemned prisoners. The Governor being out of the city, it was impossible for him to settle the matter of the hearing, but he left a statement in the executive offices to the effect that March 20, the date suggested by Governor Craig some days ago, will be agreeable to him. The indications are that this will be the date finally agreed on for the hearing. However, the matter will have to await the return of the Governor from Philadelphia.

Durham-Chapel Hill Line.

A charter was issued today for the Durham Carolina Motor Company, of Durham, capital $50,000 aunorized and $5,000 subscribed by E. P. Yates, W. O. Williams and J. M. Williams, of Chapel Hill. The company will operate a motor line between Durham and Chapel Hill for passengers and freight transportation.

T. F. Bulla, superintendent of the public schools of Randolph county, has informed the State Department of Education that he is preparing for an elaborate county school commencement to be held in the late spring that will be representative of the entire system of schools for the county, the monster celebration to be at Asheboro, the county seat. It will have to do with all the school activities and there will be distinguished speakers, attractive prizes and a program of exceptional interest. Dr. Joyner, State Superintendent of Schools, says that from the county superintendents in every section of the State there are coming letters advising the department that they will hold these county commencements that have the past two seasons proven so valuable in quickening interest in educational work.

State Treasurer B. R. Lacy was today sending out urgent appeals to the sheriffs of the counties to hasten as much as possible payments on the State taxes collected and the final settlements. He says there was scarcely ever a year in which so few sheriffs had settled their State taxes due as there are at this time in the settlement of the 1915 State taxes. The fact is only two sheriffs in all the State have as yet settled their State taxes in full. These are Greene and Stanly, two of the smaller counties.

Director T. E. Browne, of the Boys' Corn Club division of the Department of Agriculture, finds that Wake was first; Wilkes second; Buncombe third; Johnston fourth, and Surry fifth in yield of corn in club contests the past season, the total being 13,269 bushels for these counties at an average cost of 43 cents per bushel. Wake's club boys reporting were 200; Wilkes, 159; Buncombe, 153; Johnston, 105; Surry 104. For the coming season Manager Browne and his assistants are striving to reach a total enrollment of 5,000 boys in all the counties. Last year the enrollment was 3,504.

FEDERAL AUTHORITIES MAY ACT

"Jean Crones" Letter Turned Over to Postmaster General.

Councilman J. M. Hall, in charge of the department of public safety, yesterday morning turned over to Postmaster Green the letter received by Chief of Police Williams from the would-be practical joker, who has been amusing himself by sending letters signed, "Jean Crones" to the heads of the police departments in Wilmington and nearby cities.

Later in the day, Mr. Hall was notified by Postmaster Green that he had transmitted the letter to Postmaster General Burleson in Washington, who will probably take the matter up with the Department of Justice officials. As the letter is reported to contain profane the letter is reported to containprofane expressions, it is likely that the author can be prosecuted for violating the United States laws regarding the sending of abusive letters through the mails.

Miss Dunaway, in "Just Plain Judy," an Adaptation of "Daddy Long Legs," at Memorial Hall of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Saturday Night.

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An Automobile in the Spring

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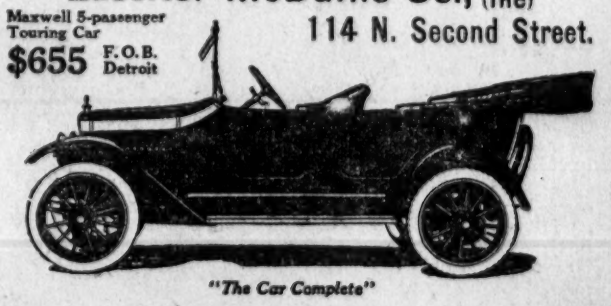

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THEATRICAL

This afternoon at matinee McGeorge's Overland Girls present an entirely new show to last through two days, entitled "Why Bill Got Married," a rousing farce with lots of laughs. Everything in the specialty line will be new—not a thing you saw yesterday or Monday will be repeated. That great comedy team, Mack and Mack, will have something new and fully up to that great skit which brought down the house every performance for the past two days. They are simply "out there" if anyone should ask, undoubtedly the biggest specialty act ever presented on the Victoria stage.

Petite little Shirley Milette will also have something new that will please immensely and Julius Shope "The Arkansas Sunflower," will do some more stunts at dancing and black-face comedy work. And don't forget that Comedy Trio who will pull a stunt even bigger than their first one, with Miss Nelson in new popular ballads. It is going to be a record week at the Victoria and there will be no let-up in quantity nor quality until Saturday night rolls around.

Oh, tonight's the night all the young men of Wilmington will be there with bells on, for they are going to be invited to come up on the stage right between the two evening shows and show their ability at the terpsichorean art, with the girls of the company as partners. There will be three cash prizes awarded to the three couples whom the audience votes the most "beautifullest" dancers, and it's going to be worth seeing.

Friday night, together with another brand new show and specialties, the Country Store will give away $125 worth of merchandise—nothing worth less than a quarter—almost everybody is going to get some of it, too. And Saturday a special matinee at which school children under 12 will be admitted to any part of the house for five cents.

Today at the Grand.

When beautiful Gertrude Robinson and Alexander Gaden joined Mutual some weeks ago a tremor of anticipation ran through discriminating lovers of motion pictures. Public taste, without any question, has been educated to a high pitch by Gaumont achievements of the past months. The camera, that severest test of an actor's popularity, has but intensified the abilities and personal attractiveness of these talented recruits. And an eager public may confidently look forward to the debut of Miss Robinson and Mr. Gaden in "As a Woman Sows" a five-part Mutual masterpiece on today's bill at the Grand.

Miss Robinson will long be remembered for his remarkable ingenue work with Miss Edith Tallaferro a few seasons ago. "As a Woman Sows" is an intimate story of married life, depicting a young wife's folly, and gives ample opportunity for both Miss Robinson and Mr. Gaden to display some of that emotional talent which has made their names popular wherever stage productions are known. It was filmed in beautiful Florida, the Gaumont studios being located at Jacksonville, and the added charm of the beautiful tropical scenery of South Florida adds greatly to the exquisite enjoyment that will be the lot of everyone who sees it today. Shows will run on the hour and a half schedule the same as at the Royal.

At the Bijou Today.

She had been living a gay life in the artists' quarter of Paris, posing as a model for a noted sculptor, when a little child kissed her. She couldn't forget the soft warm lips on her cheek, and she began to dream of a different life. Eventually it became hers and she fitted into the longed for new life perfectly. Then the sculptor told her secret and only a tremendous situation, tense and absorbing, and real and true, could properly bring so big a theme and so great a picture to a satisfying climax.

"The Living Lie" is the title and it is in three living, throbbing reels, starring beautiful Mina Jeffries and Malcom Bevins in the two leading roles. Studio life in the Latin quarter of Paris has a never-ending interest for us who inhabit the new world. The ambition and the struggles toward their realization of the artists, their adventures and the result of their life experiences in their art—this material has been used by novelists and playwrights for the background of countless plays and stories. "The Living Lie" is a strong presentation of the redemption of a girl of the underworld through her love for her child, and is amid the backgrounds of this interesting part of Paris. It is today's great feature at the Bijou.

A rousing Joker comedy "Leap and Look Thereafter" stars William Franey and Gail Henry, and is also a hit of the day.

"The Woman Pays"—Royal.

Valli Valli, the popular and talented English actress, will be seen in "The Woman Pays", a five-act feature picture produced by the Rolfe Photo Plays, Inc., for the Metro program, at the Royal today.

This production affords Miss Valli Valli unlimited opportunity to display her versatile and forceful dramatic ability. While she has played important roles in the spoken drama, both in this country and in England, she is perhaps better known for her stellar roles in musical comedy. She was starred in the "Queen of the Movies" which had a successful run at the Globe Theatre in New York and on tour. She also had prominent roles in "The Purple Road," "The Dollar Princess," and other big stage productions. Miss Valli has been in this country eight years, and during that time has made a place on the spoken stage distinctly her own.

A strong cast will appear in support of Miss Valli, including Marie Empress, Edward Brennan, John E. Bowers, Paul Lawrence, Mae De Metz and Mrs. Julia Hurley.

VALLI VALLI

The Charming Viennese Star, in "The Woman Pays," Big Metro Feature, at the Royal Today.

Gertrude Robinson and Alexander Gaden, in "As a Woman Sows"—Five Act Mutual Masterpiece, Grand Today.

HABEAS CORPUS DISMISSED.

Mercer's Girl-Wife Doesn't Have to Live With His People.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Kinston, N. C., Feb. 29.—Judge W. M. Bond, of the Superior Court, has decided in dismissing a habeas corpus writ and taxing the petitioner, Daniel Mercer, with the costs, that Mercer's 15-year-old wife will not have to live with his people. Mrs. Estelle Mercer left her husband and his relatives to return to her own family near Pink Hill. J. J. Davis, kinsman of the girl wife, was charged by Mercer with unlawfully preventing her from returning to him. Judge Bond threw the writ out. Mrs. Mercer is said to have signified her willingness to live with her husband and her affection for him, but to have refused absolutely to abide with his family, with whom she could not agree.

LEAD IN EAST CAROLINA.

Colored Episcopalians Lead the South in Membership Growth.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Kinston, N. C., Feb. 29.—Bishop Thos. C. Darst, of the Episcopal diocese of East Carolina, stated on a visit to St. Augustaine's church, colored, here, that the pulpit of every negro church in the diocese is now filled, that the colored Episcopalians of Eastern Carolina gained more members in 1915 than any other diocese in the South, that parochial schools are being established by the colored churches throughout the section, and that he is greatly encouraged over the progress of the communicants of that race. A weak negro congregation in Belhaven, Bishop Darst told the congregation of St. Augustine's and white persons who heard his address to the colored members, raised $600 by its own efforts for a parochial school. Without the slightest difficulty a larger sum was secured from an outside source and a modern building erected. The bishop offered to contribute one dollar for every one raised by the local congregation toward suc ha school building here. The school is already organized.

WANTS EMANCIPATION FROM REGULATION BY THE STATES

Trumbull Wants Railroads Put Under Purely Federal Control.

Washington, Feb. 29.—Frank Trumbull, chairman of the railway executives advisory committee, representing 84 per cent of the railroads of the country, today asked the House Interstate Commerce Committee to bring all activities of the railroads under purely Federal control.

"We are quite willing to sit down at the stable with you and help you draft a law," he said, "provided you emancipate us from the states."

"Millions of dollars," Mr. Trumbull said, "are going over the dam in waste every year" because of duplications, discriminations and litigations arising out of a division of authority over railroads between the states and the Federal government.

Mr. Trumbull characterized the interstate commerce commission as "altogether too modest in its powers."

NEGRO CHURCH BURNED.

Fire Devours Structure at Maxton in Quick Order.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Maxton, N. C., Feb. 29. — Fire Sunday afternoon destroyed the colored Presbyterian church here, located in the outskirts of town. It was not long burning, as the building was too far from the neares hydrant to be reached with a stream of water. Several nearby buildings caught, but were put out by bucket brigades.

PROHIBIT LIQUOR ADVERTISING

Mississippi Senate Passes Bill Already Passed by House.

Jackson, Miss., Feb. 29.—The Mississippi senate today passed the house bill which would prohibit liquor advertising through newpapers, circulars, street cars, bill boards or other means in the state. The measure is to become effective in sixty days after its passage. It now goes to the governor for his signature.

14th Series, Progressive B. & L., opens next Saturday. marl-4t.
(Advertisement).

WHOLE FAMILY CREMATED IN FARM HOUSE IN OKLAHOMA

Father, Wife, Children and Brothers Burned to Death in Home.

Taloga, Okla., Feb. 29.—The bodies of seven persons were found early this morning in the ruins of a farm house which burner some time during last night six miles northwest of here. The dead have been identified as M. Creed, the occupant of the house, his wife, three children and his two brothers.

The bodies were found huddled in a heap, indicating that the men had made an effort to rescue the women and children. It is not known when the house burned. Monday night about 8 o'clock one of the Creed children came to the home of Robert McKinney on a farm adjoining the Creed place. That was the last seen of any member of the dead family.

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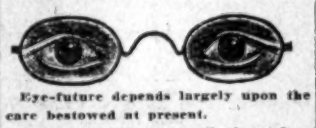

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EXPLAINS WHY MEN ARE GROWING BALD

Thousands of men are growing bald every day and don't know the reason why. Many of them never expect to save even what hair is left.

This is indeed a pity, says a hair specialist, who claims that baldness usually comes from carelessness and that anyone who gives the hair just a little occasional attention should always have an abundance of good healthy hair. Dust and dirt help to cause baldness by clogging the pores in the scalp and giving the germs of dandruff fertile ground for prolific breeding.

The treatment is very simple: wash out the dust and dirt with any pure soap at least once in ten days and destroy the dandruff germs by applying every other night Parisian Sage, a delightfully efficient preparation that hundreds of druggists recommend as the surest treatment to stop hair from falling, to remove dandruff and to refresh and invigorate the hair roots.

Of course, like all successful discoveries, Parisian Sage has been greatly flattered by imitations which makes it necessary to ask for it by name. The cost of a generous bottle is very little, and to supply the steady demand. Rob't R. Bellamy always have an abundant supply on hand.

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Limber up! Quit complaining! Get a small trial bottle from your druggist, and in just a moment you'll be free from rheumatic and sciatic pain, soreness, stiffness and swelling. Don't suffer! Relief awaits you. Old, honest "St. Jacob's Oil" has cured millions of rheumatism sufferers in the last half century, and is just as good for sciatica, neuralgia, lumbago, backache, sprains and swellings.

MEAT INJURIOUS TO THE KIDNEYS

Take a Tablespoonful of Salts, if Back Hurts or Bladder Bothers—Meat Forms Uric Acid.

We are a nation of meat eaters and our blood is filled with uric acid, says a well-known authority, who warns us to be constantly on guard against kidney trouble.

The kidneys do their utmost to free the blood of this irritating acid, but become weak from the overwork; they get sluggish; the eliminative tissues clog and thus the waste is retained in the blood to poison the entire system.

When your kidneys ache and feel like lumps of lead, and you have stinging pains in the back or the urine is cloudy, full of sediment, or the bladder is irritable, obliging you to seek relief during the night; when you have severe headaches, nervous and dizzy spells, sleeplessness, acid stomach or rheumatism in bad weather, get from your pharmacist about four ounces of Jad Salts; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast each morning and in a few days your kidneys will act fine. This famous salts is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for generations to flush and stimulate clogged kidneys, to neutralize the acids in urine so it is no longer a source of irritation, thus ending urinary and bladder disorders.

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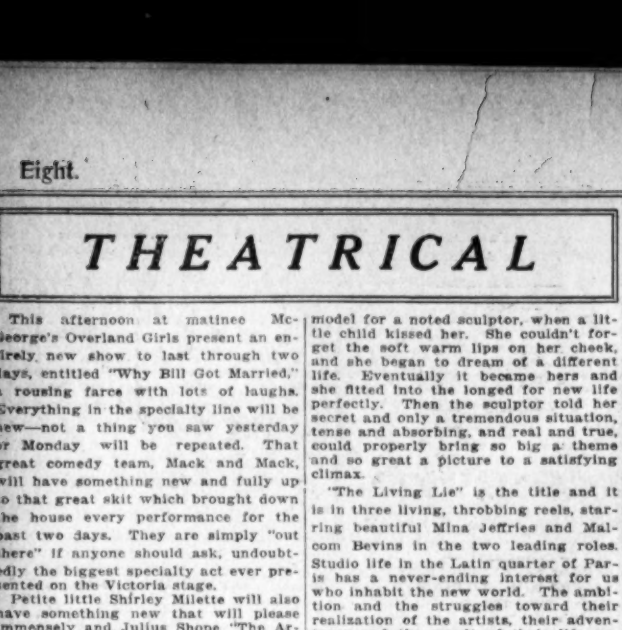

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

COTTON MARKET IS HIGHER

Showed Continued Irregularity Yesterday, But the Undertone Was Steadier.

New York, Feb. 29.—The cotton market showed continued irregularity today, but the undertone was steadier, with May contracts selling up to 11.47 or 15 points above last night's final figures, and closing at 11.43. The general list closed steady at a net advance of 7 tot 12 points.

Liverpool was rather better than due and the market here opened steady at a decline of one point on March, but generally 4 to 8 points higher. The general list worked higher during the morning on Liverpool buying, covering, and a moderate demand from reactionists. After selling at 11.13 on the call, March rallied to 11.26, while July advanced from 11.57 to 11.67 and October from 11.77 to 11.86, a gain of 10 tto 15 points over last night's close. The more active positions showed rallies of 22 tto 23 points from recent low levels. Fluctuations were irregular during the afternoon. May contracts eased off to 11.39 shortly after midday, but rallied again to 11.46 and the general list closed within 3 or 4 points of the best. Liverpool was a less active buyer here this morning than recently. Southern selling during the afternoon was attributed party to Southern spot firms, but was accompanied by rumors of an improved spot demand and a steadier tone among spot holders.

The market closed steady.

	Open	High	Low	Close
May	11.31	11.47	11.31	11.43
July	11.58	11.67	11.57	11.64
October	11.77	11.86	11.77	11.83
December	11.91	12.00	11.91	11.97

Spot cotton quiet; middling uplands 11.35; no sales.

THE PORT MOVEMENT.

New Orleans — Middling, 11.13; receipts, 4,424; exports, 7,340; sales, 4,405; stock, 387,323.

Galveston—Middling, 11.55; receipts, 14,279; sales, 1,518; stock, 298,262.

Mobile — Middling, 10.88; receipts, 263; sales, 125; stock, 19,513.

Savannah—Middling, 11.50; receipts, 1,894; sales, 850; stock, 179,662.

Charleston—Middling, 11.00; receipts, 57; sales, 600; stock, 31,750.

Wilmington—Receipts, 173; stock, 51,162.

Norfolk—Middling, 11.25; receipts, 2,101; exports, 693; sales, 372; stock, 133,637.

Baltimore—Exports, 4,500; stock, 1,091.

Boston—Middling, 11.25; receipts, 327; exports, 1,874; stock, 12,800.

Philadelphia — Middling, 11.60; receipts, 202; stock, 1,375.

New York—Middling, 11.35; receipts, 593; exports, 7,121; stock, 218,966.

Minor Ports—Receipts, 2,633; exports, 2,638; stock, 20,916.

Total today — Receipts, 27,251; exports, 24,666; stock, 1,506,718.

Total for Week—Receipts, 89,656; exports, 121,918.

Total for season—Receipts, 5,568,989; exports, 3,529,964.

Interior Movement.

Houston — Middling, 11.55; receipts, 2,632; shipments, 5,199; sales, 1,084; stock, 156,672.

Memphis — Middling, 11.38; receipts, 1,356; shipments, 2,437; sales, 1,700; stock, 270,100.

Augusta—Middling, 11.25; receipts, 264; shipments, 1,262; sales, 719; stock, 164,048.

St. Louis—Middling, 11¼; receipts, 1,240; shipments, 1,548; stock, 18,452.

Cincinnati—Receipts, 593; shipments, 853; stock, 15,695.

Little Rock—Middling, 11.56; receipts, 365; shipments, 201; sales, 201; stock, 37,784.

Dallas—Middling, 11.10; sales, 124.

Montgomery—Middling, 10.88.

Total today — Receipts, 7,550; shipments, 11,500; stock, 662,551.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, Feb. 29. — Cotton: Spot, easier. Good middling, 7.98; middling, 7.71; low middling, 7.37. Sales, 8,000 for speculation and export, 1,500. Receipts, 16,000. Futures, very steady. March, 7.56; March-April, 7.56; April-May, 7.54½; May-June, 7.54; June-July, 7.51½; July-August, 7.49½; August-September, 7.43; September-October, 7.33; October-November, 7.30; November-December, 7.27; December-January, 7.25; January-February, 7.23.

Official noon closing: February, 7.55½ value; February and March, 7.51½ value.

SAVANNAH NAVAL STORES.

Savannah, Feb. 29. — Turpentine, steady, 50; sales, none; receipts, 87; shipments, 211; stock, 9,226.

Rosin—Steady. Sales, 1,237; receipts, 1,212; shipments, 1,613; stock, 58,197 Quote: A, B, C, D, E, and F, 4.75; G and H, 4.80; I, 5.00; K, 5.50; M, 5.75; N, 6.00; W G, 6.25; W W, 6.50.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Feb. 29. — Cotton goods were quiet but firm today. Yarns were steady; silks were in full demand for Fall delivery. Men's wear lines were revised upward on duplicate orders. Jobbers did an active trade.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

Market Firms Up After Decline and Closes at Net Advance.

New Orleans, Feb. 29.—After a small decline on the most active months on the opening in this market today cotton firmed up and stood at a net advance throughout the session, closing 9 to 15 points up. Last prices were almost the highest on the old crop months, but the new crops did not show quite as much strength. The market at its best was 13 to 15 points up on the trading months. Offerings at all times were slender and a moderate demand sustained values. A cheerful feeling regarding international politics encouraged buying, although bearish opinion was that there was little foundation for such feeling.

On the opening the market was held down *by poor cables and* prospects of rain for Texas, but no real selling power developed. Holders of short contracts were inclined to cover and their purchases were a source of steadiness throughout the day.

Closed steady. Closing bid: May 11.19; July 11.46; October 11.61; December 11.77.

Spot cotton steady, unchanged; sales on the spot 1,320; to arrive 3,185. Middling 11.13.

WHEAT MARKET IS HIGHER

Influenced by Encouraging Outlook as to Relations Between America and Germany.

Chicago, Feb. 29. — Wheat prices took an upward swing today, influenced by the outlook that the chance of a break in diplomatic relations between Germany and the United States was much more remote than a majority of traders had of late assumed was the case. The market finished strong, 3¼@3⅝ to 3⅝c. net higher, with May at 1.12¼@⅝ and July at 1.09⅝. Other leading staples, too, all scored gains. Corn, 1⅞ to 2⅜; oats, 1¼c. to 1⅝c. and provisions, 17½ to 30c.

Grain and provisions closed:

Wheat—May, 1.12¼; July, 1.09⅝.
Corn—May, 75¼; July, 75¼.
Oats—May, 43⅝; July, 41⅝.
Pork—May, 20⅞; July, 20.72.
Lard—May, 10.55; July, 10.75.
Ribs—May, 11.55; July, 11.70.

Cash grain:

Wheat—No. 2, red, 1.10½@1.12; No 3, red, 1.09@1.10; No. 2, hard, 1.10@1.11½; No. 3, hard, 1.06½@1.09.

Corn — No. 2, yellow, 73¼; No. 4, yellow, 66½@65½; No. 4, white, 66@69.

MARINE.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers

Str. Ramsay (Br.), 2,768 tons, Mullan, Alex. Sprunt & Son.

Str. Nicaria (Ger.) 3,289 tons, Hollasch, Heide & Co.

Str. Kiel (Ger.) 2,872 tons, Lemke, Heide & Co.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

(Quoted Daily by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, Feb 29, 1916.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nominal.
ROSIN—Nominal.
TAR—$1.70-8c.
CRUDE TURPENTINE—Nominal.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, 41½; rosin, $2.80; tar, $1.50-7c.; crude, $2.75, $2.75, $1.75.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine .....(—)
Rosin .....(—)
Tar 15
Crude Turpentine .....(—)

Receipts — Same day last year: Spirits turpentine, (—) casks; rosin (—) barrels; tar, (—) barrels; crude turpentine, (—) barrels.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—11¼c. Quotations same day last year, 7⅝c.

Receipts—163 bales; same day last year, 3,416 bales.

Total receipts since August 1st, to date, 150,883 bales.

Total receipts to same date last year, 172,133 bales.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at This Port Yesterday.

Wilmington, Feb. 29.

Atlantic Coast Line—133 bales cotton; 18 barrels tar.

Seaboard Air Line—30 bales cotton.

Total—163 bales cotton; 18 barrels tar.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Feb. 29.)

SWEET POTATOES—Yams, 55c. to 60c. per bushel.
IRISH POTATOES—$1.00.
CORN—$1.75 per sack.
BEEF—Native dressed, 7@9c; good demand.
PORK—Small, 8@10c. per pound.
WOOL—Burry, 17c to 20c.; first class, 27c.
HIDES—Green salt, 12@13c; dry flint, 17@20c per lb.; good demand.
NORTH CAROLINA BACON — Old hams, 18c.; sides and shoulders, 14c. to 15c. per pound, good demand.
BEESWAX—Firm, 28c per pound; good demand.
POULTRY—Chickens, grown, 45c to 50c; spring, 20c to 35c head. Geese 55c to 60c per head. Ducks, 35c to 50c owing to quality. Turkeys, 18c per lb., alive.; 20c to 22c dressed.
EGGS—18c. dozen.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Feb. 29.—North Carolina Peanuts—Market weaker. Fancy hand picked, 75c.; No. 1 machine picked, 70c. per bushel.

Virginia Peanuts — Market weaker. Jumbos, 60c.; fancy hand picked, 55c. No. 1, machine-picked, 50c. per bushel.

Spanish Peanuts—Market weaker. No. 1, small, machine picked, 95c.; Jumbos, 55c. per bushel.

Receipts—Light.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET

(Reported by Rodgers, Plummer & Co., Inc.)

Petersburg, Va., Feb. 29.—Spanish—Farmers' stock, market steady. First quality, $1.10 per bu.; green and dirty, 60c. to 75c. per bu.

Virginias—Farmers' stock, market steady. Fancy Jumbo, 4c. per lb.; fancy hand picked, 3½c. per lb.; extra prime, 3½c. per lb; prime, 3¼c. per lb.; shelling ntock, 2½c. to 3c per lb.

COTTON SEED OIL MARKET.

New York, Feb. 29 — Cotton Seed Oil made new high price records on urgent demand from shorts and buying by refiners. Final prices showed net gains of 6 to 16 points, but were off some 4 to 9 points from the early high point, the result of profit taking. Sales, 24,600 barrels. March tenders were around 500 barrels. Closed steady. Spot, 9.85@10.30; March, 9.86@9.88; April, 9.80@9.85; May, 9.78@9.79; June, 9.75@9.80; July, 9.73@9.74; August, 9.72@9.73; September, 9.68@9.70; October, 8.95@8.97. Total sales, 24,600 barrels.

NEW YORK LIVE STOCK.

New York, Feb. 29. — Beeves—No trading.

Calves—Easier. Veals, 8.50@12.75; culls, 6.00@8.00; barnyard calves, 5.50.

Sheep and Lambs—Steady. Medium lambs, 11.00@11.25.

Hogs—Strong. Light to heavy, 8.00@9.20; roughs, 7.50@8.00.

REACTION FOLLOWS GAINS

Sinking of French Transport and American-German Relations Figure In Market.

New York, Feb. 29.—In the inactive first hour the market today bade fair to make substantial recoveries from its recent depression, gains ranging from 1 to more than 3 points in standard shares, with far greater advances in speculative issues; but after midday prices evinced a marked tendency to react. The sinking of a French transport and semi-official intimation that too much had been taken for granted in other night advices regarding relations between Washington and Berlin were influential factors.

The dragging final hour witnessed a moderate revival of the downward trend. Representative stocks, including rails and United States Steels shaded materially from early maximums, retaining little or none of their advantage at the heavy close.

Reading issues were again the outstanding feature, the common stock being the most active issue of the day and adding two points to yesterday's advance. The first and second preferred shares also made smart gains, but fell away at the end. Total sales amounted to 530,000 shares. Anglo-French bonds retrieved much of yesterday's reversal only to relinquish virtually all their gain at the end. Exchange markets were very dull with no material change.

Bonds were irregular on light trading. Total sales par value were $2,525,000. United States coupon 3s advanced 1-8 per cent. on call.

NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

Allis-Chalmers	27
American Beet Sugar	65¼
American Can	58⅞
American Car and Foundry	66
American Cotton Oil	B 51½
American Locomotive	67⅝
American Smelting	97½
American Sugar	111⅛
American Tel. and Tel	127⅝
American Tobacco	192⅝
Anaconda Copper	85⅝
Atchison	103
Atlantic Coast Line	B 109½
Baldwin Locomotive	102
Baltimore and Ohio	85⅝
Bethlehem Steel	460
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	85¾
Canadian Pacific	167
Central Leather	52
Chesapeake and Ohio	61
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	93⅝
Chicago, R. I. and Pac. Ry	17⅝
Consolidated Gas	131⅞
Continental Can	79¼
Crucible Steel	73¾
Erie	35⅝
General Electric	167¼
Great Northern, pfd	120½
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	41¾
Illinois Central	102½
Interborough Consol. Corp	16⅞
Kansas City Southern	25
Lehigh Valley	77⅝
Louisville and Nashville	121⅝
Liggett and Meyers	B 230
Lorillard Co	198
Missouri, Kansas and Tex., pfd	14
Missouri Pacific	4⅜
Mexican Petroleum	96
National Lead	66
New York Central	103⅛
N. Y., N. H. and Hartford	67⅛
Norf. and Western (ex. div.)	115
Northern Pacific	112
Pennsylvania	58⅞
Reading	83
Rep. Iron and Steel	49½
Seaboard Air Line	16¼
Seaboard Air Line, pfd	35
Sloss-Sheff. Steel and Iron	54
Studebaker Corp	136
Southern Pacific (ex. div.)	97⅛
Southern Railway	19⅜
Southern Railway, pfd	57½
Tennessee Copper	55
Texas Co	193¼
Texas and Pacific	7⅜
Union Pacific	133¼
United States Rubber	49⅞
United States Steel	82⅜
United States Steel, pfd	116½
Utah Copper	83⅜
Virginia-Caro Chem	44½
Va. Iron, Coal and Coke	B. 45
Wabash, Pfd., "B" Ctfs	25⅝
Western Union	87⅜
Westinghouse Electric	63¼
United Fruit	140½
Kennecott Copper	53¼

NEW YORK MONEY MARKET.

New York, Feb. 29. — Mercantile paper, 3@3¼. Sterling, sixty day bills, 4.71½; demand, 4.76½; cables, 4.77. Bar silver, 56⅝; Mexican dollars, 43½; government bonds, firm; railroad bonds, irregular.

Time loans, firm. Sixty days, 2½@2¾; ninety days, 2¾@3; six months, 3@3¼; call money, steady; ruling rate, 1¾.

NEW YORK PROVISIONS MARKET

New York, Feb. 29 — Raw sugar, firm. Centrifugal, 5.03; molasses, 4.25; refined, steady.

Coffee—Spot, steady. Rio, No. 7, 4¼; Santos, No. 4, 10.

Butter—Firmer.

Cheese—Steady.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Chicago, Feb. 29.—Hogs—Weak. Bulk 8.65@8.85; light 8.30@8.80; mixed 8.50@8.90; heavy 8.40@8.90; rough 8.40@8.55; pigs 7.10@8.10.

Cattle — Firm. Native beef steers, 7.10@9.65; stockers and feeders, 5.70@7.75; cows and heifers, 3.30@8.30; calves, 8.50@11.00.

Sheep—Weak. Wethers, 7.90@8.65; ewes, 5.65@8.35; lambs, 9.25@11.50.

MR. B. FRANK LANE DEAD.

Prominent Citizen of Wilson Passes Away—Funeral Today.

(Special Star Telegram).

Wilson, N. C., Feb. 29.—B. Frank Lane, wealthy and influential citizen, prominent in business and religious affairs, died today after a lingering illness.

Mr. Lane was for nearly twenty years a citizen of Wilson and a pioneer in several lines of industry. He was the organizer of the first company for the manufacture of cotton oil products here and always interested in civic affairs. He leaves a wife and three children. The funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon.

Washington, Feb. 29.—Representative Lever introduced in the House today a bill appropriating $335,000 for a new Federal building at Columbia, S. C.

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau.

March 1, 1916.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours enging at 8 P. M. yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 38 degrees; at 8 P. M., 41 degrees; maximum, 47 degrees; minimum, 39 degrees; mean, 42 degrees

Rainfall for the day, .66 inch; rainfall for the month, to date, 2.73 inches.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M. yesterday, 7.3 feet.

THE WEATHER.

For North Carolina: Fair Wednesday. Thursday unsettled and warmer, probably rain.

The Fort Calendar, March 1, 1916.

Sun rises .....6:41 A. M.
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Day's length .....11 hrs. 27 min.

THE TIDES.

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Asheville	cldy	34	26	.02
Atlanta	clear	40	32	.41
Augusta	cldy	46	36	1.48
Baltimore	clear	36	—	.0
Birmingh.	cldy	38	34	.0
Boston	clear	32	14	.0
Charleston	cldy	54	44	.92
Charlotte	cldy	44	30	.08
Chicago	clear	32	22	.0
Galveston	clear	60	50	.0
Jacksonv	cldy	76	54	.14
Memphis	pt cldy	36	30	.0
Mobile	clear	58	52	.0
Montgom'y	clear	44	40	1.62
New Orl.	clear	62	50	.0
New York	clear	34	16	.0
Oklahoma	pt cldy	42	30	.0
Palestine	clear	54	40	.0
Pittsburg	pt cldy	30	20	.0
Raleigh	clear	38	22	.20
Savannah	cldy	62	46	.68
Shreveport	clear	48	38	.0
St. Louis	clear	38	26	.0
Washing'n	clear	36	26	.0

FUNERAL OF HAMILTON McMILLAN.

Conducted from Episcopal Church at Red Springs Yesterday.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Red Springs, N. C., Feb. 29.—The funeral of Mr. Hamilton McMillan, dean of the Red Springs bar, was conducted from the Episcopal church, of which deceased was a member, this morning at 11 o'clock by Rev. Mr. Moody, rector of this church. While he had been in failing health for some time, yet his death was somewhat unexpected.

Deceased was one of the best known men in this entire section. He was in his day one of Robeson's foremost educators. Twice he represented Robeson in the General Assembly. His history of "The Croatan Indians" of Robeson won for him National reputation.

Deceased is survived by five children, two sons and three daughters: Messrs. J. R. and D. G. McMillan, of Councils, and Red Springs, N. C., and Misses Mary Eliza and Cornelia McMillan and Mrs. B. W. Townsend, of Red Springs. Deceased was 78 years old.

After Usurious Banks.

William S. Howard, of Georgia.

Representative William S. Howard, of Georgia, is going after the banks which, according to the controller of the Treasury, have charged usurious rates of interest. He wants the controller to name the banks he had in mind when the charge was first presented.

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No. 62. 3:25 P.M. Daily.	Jacksonville, Newbern and intermediate stations.	No. 63. 12:50 P.M. Daily.
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For folders, reservations, rates of fares, etc., call 'phone 160.

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SUBURBAN SCHEDULE
In Effect November 15, 1915.
WINTER PARK, WRIGHTSVILLE WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH AND INTERMEDIATE POINTS

EASTBOUND			WESTBOUND		
Leave Front and for Winter Park	Leave Front and for Wrightsville	Leave... Front and for Beach	Leave Winter Park for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington	Leave Beach for Wilmington
.....	.....	.....	a6:26 A. M.	a6:15 A. M.	.....
a6:30 A. M.	a6:30 A. M.	a6:30 A. M.	a7:36 A. M.	a7:25 A. M.	.....
6:55 A. M.	6:55 A. M.	b6:55 A. M.	8:01 A. M.	7:50 A. M.	7:40 A. M.
a8:00 A. M.	a8:00 A. M.	.....	a8:41 A. M.	a8:30 A. M.	.....
8:30 A. M.	8:30 A. M.	8:30 A. M.	9:36 A. M.	9:25 A. M.	9:15 A. M.
.....	.....	.....	b10:21 A. M.	b10:10 A. M.	.....
10:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.	11:06 A. M.	10:55 A. M.	10:46 A. M.
11:30 A. M.	11:30 A. M.	11:30 A. M.	12:36 P. M.	12:25 P. M.	12:16 P. M.
b1:00 P. M.	b1:00 P. M.	b1:00 P. M.	b2:06 P. M.	b1:55 P. M.	b1:46 P. M.
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3:00 P. M.	3:00 P. M.	3:00 P. M.	c3:50 P. M.	.....	.....
3:30 P. M.	.....	.....	4:06 P. M.	3:55 P. M.	3:45 P. M.
c4:10 P. M.	.....	.....	c4:50 P. M.	.....	.....
4:30 P. M.	4:30 P. M.	4:30 P. M.	c5:10 P. M.	.....	.....
c4:50 P. M.	.....	.....	5:36 P. M.	5:25 P. M.	5:15 P. M.
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7:15 P. M.	7:15 P. M.	.....	8:06 P. M.	7:56 P. M.	.....
8:15 P. M.	8:15 P. M.	.....	8:56 P. M.	8:45 P. M.	.....
9:15 P. M.	9:15 P. M.	9:15 P. M.	10:21 P. M.	10:10 P. M.	10:00 P. M.
10:15 P. M.	10:15 P. M.	.....	10:56 P. M.	10:46 P. M.	.....
1:15 P. M.	11:15 P. M.	.....	11:56 P.M.	11:46 P. M.	.....

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British Instructions to Armed Merchant Ships.

LORD CECIL EXPLAINS

Says Germans Have "Twisted" a Passage in a British Document to Mean What Was Not Intended. Instructions.

London, Feb. 29.—On the eve of the date set by Germany for the beginning of her new submarine campaign against armed merchant vessels, Lord Robert Cecil, minister of war trade, has issued a statement giving the British view of the status of such merchantmen. This statement, which is in answer to queries whether merchantmen have been instructed tot take the offensive against submarines, says:

"The British view has always been that defensively armed merchantmen must not fire on submarines or any other warships except in self defense. The Germans have twisted a passage in a document taken from a transport which they sank into meaning that merchant vessels have instructions to take the offensive. This is not so.

"The passage in question which lays down a maximum distance beyond which merchant ships are advised not to fire, must be read in conjunction with another passage which makes it perfectly clear that merchant vessels must not attack unless a submarine shows unmistakable hostile intentions."

The German memorandum dealing with armed merchantmen, received from Berlin February 10, contained the following alleged instructions to British merchantmen captured or sunk by the Germans:

"If a defensively armed vessel is pursued by a submarine, the master has two alternatives (a) to open fire at long range immediately it becomes certain that the submarine really is in pursuit, or (b) to restrain fire until submarine has come into range, say 800 yards, at which the fire is likely to be effective. In view of the great difficulty of distinguishing between a friendly submarine at long range (one British submarine has already been fired at by a merchant vessel which erroneously supposed itself pursued by a submarine) it is strongly recommended that course 'b' should be adopted by all defensively armed ships."

THE BRITISH CONTENTION

Cites Decision of U. S. Supreme Court. Summary of Law

Washington, Feb. 29.—From the British point of view all of the score of cases mentioned in Count Bernstorff's note of yesterday to Secretary Lansing, alleging that English merchantmen violated international law by attacking German or Austrian submarines will be shown to have been completely justified as a proper exercise of defensive power. British authorities cite a decision by Chief Justice Marshall, of the United States Supreme Court, written many years ago in the "Nereid" case, as a clear exposition of the distinction between a ship armed for defensive and for offensive, applicable today just as it was when handed down. The chief justice in that case, which probably will be brought to the attention of the State Department in the course of future negotiations, thus construed the law:

"On her (the Nereid's) passage she had a right to defend herself and did defend herself—but to search for the enemy would have been a violation of the charter part of her duty. She did not rove over the ocean hurling the thunders of war while sheltered by the olive branch of peace."

The British contention in answer to the German assertion that armed merchantmen really are warships, is substantially as follows:

"A merchant vessel seeks a port and a ship of war seeks enemy vessels to destroy them. The distinction is clearly laid down in the United States instructions to armed merchantmen. If a submarine approaches a merchant vessel, it can only be with the intent to destroy it, and this has been proved again and again by experience. The merchant vessel has, therefore, by a natural law, the same right to defend herself as a peaceful citizen has if attacked by a gunman. The law gives a peaceful citizen the right to fire in self defense and merchant vessels are under strict instructions to use their armament solely and exclusively for this purpose. An official pledge to this effect has been given."

Washington, Feb. 29.—The first step was taken today toward carrying out the plans of the framers of the Federal Reserve Act for substitution of a currency based on the demands of commerce, for a currency based on government bonds. In a lette rto the Federal Reserve Board, Secretary McAdoo announced his readiness to provide for the retirement during the present year of $30,000,000 of the two per cent. United State bonds used by National banks to secure their note circulation.

BRITISH DISCUSS TRADE AFTER WAR

Interest Centers in Change in Present Tariff System.

BIG MEETING IN LONDON

Two Resolutions Adopted Reflect Overwhelming Sentiment for Entire Readjustment of Economic and Trade Policy.

London, Feb. 29—Trade after the war was discussed today to a notable gathering of representatives ofall the great commercial organizations of the country forming the British Association of Chambers of Commerce. Upward of one thousand delegates were present, including the chief figures in all the lay industries.

Interest centered on achange in Great Britain's tariff system alolwing virtually free admission of foreign imports, awing to the prevailing belief that Great Britain's free markets have been on eof the chief sources of the building up of German industry.

The chancellor of the exchequer, Reginald McKenna, who has charge of the framing of the tariff schedules, addressed the executive committee declaring that the government was not committed to adhering to the old economic policies which the experience of the war had shown must be re-adjusted to the new conditions.

The commercial attache of the American embassy at London, A. H. Baldwin, and representatives of Canada, Australia and other colonials also were present.

Among several important resolutions adopted were two reflecting overwhelming sentiment for an entire readjustment of the British economic and trade policy. The first resolution, unanimously adopted declares:

"The experience of the war has shown that the strength and safety of the British nation in time of national peril lie in the possession by this nation of the power to produce its requirements from its own oil and its own factories, rather than in the possession of values which may be exported and exchanged for products and manufactures of foreign countries."

Another resolution, for reciprocal trading relation and tariffs, developed some opposition from free trade adherents but finally prevailed with virtual unanimity. It provides, first, for preferential trading relations between all British countries; second, for reciprocal trading relations between the British empire and all the allied countries; third, for favorable treatment of neutral countries; fourth, for restriction by tariffs and otherwise on all trade relations with enemy countries so as to make it impossible to return prewar conditions.

FIFTEEN MEET DEATH IN W. VIRGINIA MINE

All Victims Foreigners; Killed by Dust Explosion.

Explosion Occurred About 2,000 Feet From Botton of Shaft, Where More Than Score Were Working.

Kempton, W. Va., Feb. 29.—Fifteen men were killed and five seriously injured by explosion of dust in mine No. 42 of the Davis Coal & Coke Company here today. All the victims were foreigners. Fifty-one miners who were also at work at the time were rescued. The exploration of the working was completed late today and all the bodies recovered.

The explosion occurred this morning shortly after the men had entered the mine. Rescue parties were hastily organized and among the first to reach the shaft was R. P. Maloney, general superintendent of the Davis Coal & Coke Company, who took active charge of the rescue work. The mine was not badly damaged, according to rescuers.

The explosion occurred about 2,000 feet from the bottom of the shaft where more than a score of miners were working. According to General Superintendent Maloney, all the victims were crushed under a fall of slate.

—James Loftin, Ed Davis and William Allen, all colored, were locked up at the police station at an early hour this morning charged with an assault with deadly weapons upon Mr. F. A. Robbins, 221 North Seventh street. Mr. Robbins went out to remonstrate with the negroes early last night for interfering with some boys in the street when the negroes set upon him, one of then with a knife and another with a pistol.

BELIEVE GERMANS SOWED THE MINES

Opinion of American and Other Survivors of Maloja.

DESCRIPTION GRAPHIC

Ralph Foster, of Kansas, Narrates His Experiences When Ship Went Down Off Dover—In the Icy Water an Hour.

London, Feb. 29.—That German submarines have been sowing mines off Dover was the belief expressed today by Ralph Foster, of Kansas, and other survivors of the Maloja disaster, including some of the officers of the ship. The fact that a number of disasters have occurred in the neighborhood of Dover during the past two Sundays is considered in some quarters in London as possible evidence that German submarines knowing that a number of boats clear for foreign ports Saturdays have taken advantage of that fact to creep in as near the coast as possible in the night time and discharge cargoes of explosives.

In the opinion of Mr. Foster, life boats are virtually useless where vessels strike mines, as the ships almost invariably sink quickly, and because the crews are insufficiently drilled for quick action and the boats cannot be lowered when a ship heels over on her side as the Maloja did. Mr. Foster was afloat in the icey water and on upturned boats an hour before he was rescued by a trawler.

"I was promenading the deck well forward about 10:20 o'clock Sunday morning," said Mr. Foster today to the Associated Press representative, "when I heard a slight report. I thought it was a gun firing a blank shot until I saw debris falling. The concussion had been so slight that I concluded an accident must have happened to some other ship nearby.

Ship Sank Quickly.

"I rushed back immediately toward the stern of the Maloja, but before I had taken a dozen steps the ship began to list, and I started toward the life boat that had been allotted to my cabin. It was so full of people, most of them lascars, that I saw it was likely to be swamped, so I went below for a life belt. I put on my overcoat and the life belt and also took my passport.

"By this time—hardly three minutes after the explosion—the passage ways below were awash. I returned to the life boat and tried to help shove it clear. Two of the white crew of the steamer were standing by to lower the boat, but only a steward and myself were making any efforts to push it off from the ship's side. We could not get the boat clear of the railing on account of the heavy list of the Maloja.

"Everybody then piled out of the life boat. Most of them slid across the deck and into the water on the other side. The deck was inclined to such a degree that we could not stand. I grabbed at an oar and slid down the so strong that I found I could not swim deck into the water. The waves were in them and was washed back against the side of the ship.

Saw Bodies Bleeding.

"Finally I managed to reach a capsized boat a few feet away and crawled on to it. From there I could see in the water near me several bodies of persons who were bleeding about the head. One lascar was being ground between a life boat and the ship's side. A big swell washed me off my insecure perch. I knew what would happen tot me if I stayed on the side of the ship I was on, so I managed to get to the other side and clung tot the railing until only the davits were projecting out of the water.

"I then pushed away from the steamer and swam a few yards to a boat which had five or six lascars in it. When I looked around the last of the davits of the Maloja had disappeared. We had no oars and the waves kept breaking over the boat. When it began to sink we swam to another capsized boat and clung there until a boat from a destroyer took us off."

GOT $25,000 SECURITIES.

From Mail Truck Robbed on Ferry Near New York Monday.

New York, Feb. 29.—Securities to the value of about $25,000 were obtained by the robbers who rifled mail pouches on a postoffice automobile truck last Saturday morning while en route on a ferry between Jersey City and New York. Announcement of the loss of the securities was made today by the banking firm of Potter, Shoate & Prentiss, to whom the securities were being shipped from Baltimore by registered mail.

Washington, Feb. 29.—Chief Postoffice Inspector Koons today gave out a statement which said the early capture of the New York mail pouch robbers was probable. He added that it has been ascertained no currency or bank packages from the Treasury Department are missing.

Baltimore, Feb. 29.—Securities valued at between $125,000 and $175,000 and a packet containing $3,500 worth of jewelry were taken from the Baltimore registered mail pouches en route to New York Saturday morning, according to information from the postal inspectors office here tonight.

WILL REDUCE TIME LIMIT

Elictric Boat Company Makes Concession to Navy Department.

Washington, Feb. 29.—The Electric Boat Company notified the Navy Department today that it would reduce by about one year the time limit for construction of the two proposed 1,500-ton fleet submarines. The time fixed by the company in its lowest bid for the contracts was 31 and 33 months, respectively, and was declared unacceptable by Secretary Daniels. The question of awarding the contracts will be considered tomorrow.

Washington, Feb. 29 — A bill authorizing the commissioner of patents to grant an extension of the patent governing the insignia of the United Daughhters of the Confederacy as long as that organization may be in existence, was introduced in the House today by Representative Slayden, of Texas.

Washington, Feb. 29. — An appropriation of $15,000 to be offered as a reward for a successful plan for preventing or exterminating the cotton boll weevil, was asked in a bill introduced in the House today by Representative Burnett, of Alabama.

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WILSON CALLS UPON CONGRESS FOR SHOW DOWN ON RESOLUTION

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prepared a substitute resolution to endorse the President's policy, but when no opportunity for action on the Gore resolution was presented, he withheld it.

No Question as to Result.

"If the President desires a vote in the Senate," said Senator Lewis, tonight, "I will offer my substitute as soon as Senator Gore calls up his warning resolution. That will force a vote on the substitute to endorse the President before a vote can be taken on the original resolution. There is no question of the result."

It has been apparent for several days that sentiment in the House in favor of a warning resolution has been waning. There have been many contributing causes, including hundreds of "stand by the President" letters from home districts. Today the most optimistic advocates were unwilling to venture that a resolution could carry by more than a majority.

How the Republicans will stand on the resolution is doubtful, but it is believed that most of them would support the President. For the most part the Republicans have remained silent and let the Democrats argue the situation among themselves. Representative Mann, the minority leader, set the precedent for this attitude.

Representative Mondell, of Wyoming, Republican, in a speech to the House today, assailed the administration's foreign policy, and urged the passage of his bill, still in committee, to warn Americans from taking passage on armed merchantmen.

Representative Sims, of Tennessee, replied to Mr. Mondell, after general debate on other questions had proceeded for two hours. He read a series of diplomatic notes between the United States and other governments designed to show that merchant vessels had the right to arm for defense. General discussion was not precipitated.

Prompt Action Desired.

The President's course was decided on after today's cabinet meeting, at which it was discussed and after a week's quiet, steady work at the Capitol. Prompt action is desired, particularly in the House, where agitation has been most turbulent, and where Speaker Clark predicted anti-administration resolutions, when first introduced, would have passed by a majority of two to one. There never has been a question of the administration control on the Senate side.

Adoption of the pending resolutions practically would amount to Congressional repudiation of policies announced and contended for by President Wilson and Secretary Lansing, all through the submarine negotiations, which more than once were in a crisis. With their defeat and an affirmation by a majority of Congress of their confidence in the President's course, Mr. Wilson's supporters point out, he will be enabled to continue to contend for the principles of international law and humanity with a united government behind him and with the same force as he did before a minority in Congress weakened his position more than all the arguments of the foreign diplomats with whom he had to contend.

Dispatches from Berlin and Vienna have pictured how the congressional agitation was received there as indicating that the President, in his demands upon Germany and Austria, did not have the support of his own party and was immediately a stiffening of the German determination not to recede from the announced purposes of the new submarine campaign to sink without warning all armed merchant ships, despite President Wilson's reiterated contention that such a practice was contrary to the principles for which the United States had contended with Germany ever since the sinking of the Lusitania.

It is known that among the elements leading to the President's action were repeated declarations of Germany's unyielding attitude expressed in inspired statements from Berlin by the highest officials of the German government, some of which even approached intimations of bad faith on the President's part because the United States would not accept the view that the Lusitania guarantees applied only to ships carrying no armament whatever.

Decision a Distinct Surprise.

News of the President's decision came as a distinct surprise at the Capitol, where the leaders of both houses heard of it first through reposts of the letter received by Mr. Pou. There were some expressions of dissatisfaction, particularly among members of the House, at the course adopted. Surprise was expressed that the President should appeal to the Rules committee to have brought out, debated and voted on proposals which have been kept in the Foreign Affairs committee solely because it was believed that the Administration did not want them discussed or acted upon.

It is considered probable that action by both houses may be taken Thursday. An attempt will be made to bring a resolution into the House tomorrow, as under the rules it would require a two-thirds vote to permit its consideration on "calendar" Wednesday.

Washington, Feb. 29.—Arrangements were made today to start a commission from the Department of Labor for Alaska on the next available steamer to undertake adjustment of the demands for higher pay of workmen employed on construction of the government railroad.

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